EXHIBIT 3A TO REORGANIZED DEBTORS' OMNIBUS RESPONSE TO CERTAIN DEFENDANTS' SUBMISSIONS REGARDING THE **OCTOBER 2, 2009** Supplemental **POSTCONFIRMATION** EXTENSION OF A VOIDANCE A CTION SERVICE DEADLINE MOTION (DOCKET No. 21510)

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In re : Chapter 11

DPH HOLDINGS CORP., et al., : Case No. 05-44481 (RDD)

Reorganized Debtors. : (Jointly Administered)

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REORGANIZED DEBTORS' STATEMENT IN OPPOSITION TO DECLARATIONS FILED BY CERTAIN PREFERENCE DEFENDANTS REGARDING SERVICE OF THE SUPPLEMENTAL POSTCONFIRMATION EXTENSION OF AVOIDANCE ACTION SERVICE DEADLINE MOTION

(REORGANIZED DEBTORS' 4(M) SERVICE STATEMENT)

DPH Holdings and its affiliated reorganized debtors in the above-captioned cases (collectively, the "Reorganized Debtors"), formerly known as Delphi Corporation and certain of its subsidiaries and affiliates, former debtors and debtors-in-possession in the above-captioned cases (collectively, the "Debtors"), submit this statement concerning the declarations filed by certain preference defendants (the "Declarations") regarding service of the Supplemental Postconfirmation Extension of Avoidance Action Service Deadline Motion (Docket No. 18952) (the "Final Extension Motion"), attached as Exhibit A hereto.

#### INTRODUCTION

Debtors' service of the Final Extension Motion was improper because certain preference defendants were not served with the Final Extension Motion and service was not in accord with the Supplemental Case Management Order (defined below). This Statement has been prepared with the assistance of the Reorganized Debtors' counsel of record that was responsible for service and prosecution of the Final Extension Motion in the Debtors' consolidated cases in October 2009. Such counsel did not participate in the June 21, 2011 hearing regarding individual adversary proceedings (which have been prosecuted since 2009 by special counsel) at which hearing there was apparently some confusion regarding the scope of notice authorized by this Court with respect to the Final Extension Motion. Because these issues were left unresolved at the conclusion of the June 21 hearing, the Reorganized Debtors' have compiled the relevant history to show that service of the Final Extension Motion was both proper and transparent.

Capitalized terms used and not defined in this statement have the meanings ascribed to them in the Final Extension Motion.

- Debtors' consolidated chapter 11 cases, the Final Extension Motion was *not* served on individual preference defendants *except* with respect to a very small list of defendants to whom service was directed by the Court and those parties with potential preference exposure that had determined to monitor the Debtors' chapter 11 cases and receive notices through the master or 2002 service lists by filing an appearance in the Debtors' chapter 11 cases. This limited service of the Final Extension Motion was not improper; to the contrary, the Final Extension Motion, like every other extension motion, was, by definition, an *ex parte* proceeding, the service scheme was identical with every other extension motion, had been established by disclosure and discussion with the Court, and the order approving the Final Extension Motion—just like all prior extension orders—provided that the preference defendants would *not* receive service of that order until they were served with a complaint.
- 3. Indeed, to have required immediate service of the Final Extension Motion on all preference defendants in October 2009 would have defeated the very purpose of the Final Extension Motion, which, like the previous extension motions, was to keep the complaints sealed and avoid unnecessary litigation costs while the Debtors determined whether or not they would proceed with various preference actions. The fact that the Reorganized Debtors ultimately proceeded with the prosecution of most of the remaining avoidance actions does not vitiate either the good cause demonstrated at the October 2009 hearing, or the relief granted by this Court with respect to the Final Extension Motion.

#### **BACKGROUND**

4. <u>Preservation of Estate Claims Procedures Order</u>. On August 16, 2007, the Court entered the Preservation of Estate Claims Procedures Order (Docket No. 9105) which,

among other things, (i) authorized the Debtors to file complaints in the adversary proceedings pertaining to avoidance actions under seal, (ii) stayed each adversary action unless and until the Debtors made service of process on the respective defendants, and (iii) extended to March 31. 2008, the deadline under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(m) by which the Debtors would have to serve process, so that the complaints would not be subject to dismissal under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(m). (Preservation of Estate Claims Procedures Order ¶ 7-9, attached as Exhibit B hereto.) Such relief was intended to allow the Debtors to "preserve potentially valuable assets without disrupting the plan process or existing business relationships prematurely or prejudicing the rights of any defendants." (Preservation of Estate Claims Procedures Motion ¶ 34 (Docket No. 8905), attached as Exhibit C hereto.) In addition, while the Preservation of Estate Claims Procedures Motion was served on only the master and 2002 service lists<sup>2</sup> (Aff. of Serv. (Docket No. 9039)), the Preservation of Estate Claims Procedures Order provided that: "The Debtors must serve a copy of this order upon each defendant in any Adversary Proceeding either when the Debtors serve a summons and complaint on the defendant or as soon thereafter as practicable." (Preservation of Estate Claims Procedures Order ¶ 11 (emphasis added).) In accordance with the Preservation of Estate Claims Procedures Order, the Debtors commenced 742 adversary proceedings (the "Adversary Proceedings") by filing complaints under seal. None of those complaints, however, were served at that time.

5. <u>First Extension Motion</u>. As the March 31, 2008, deadline to serve complaints in the Adversary Proceedings approached, the Debtors had not yet substantially

Based on the information provided by special counsel handling the Adversary Proceedings, preference defendants—or their counsel either directly or indirectly by notice to such counsel's firm—in 19 of the 77 remaining Adversary Proceedings received actual notice of the Preservation of Estate Claims Procedures Motion (14 on the master or 2002 service lists, 9 by electronic notification through the Court's ECF system—4 received both forms of notice).

consummated a plan of reorganization. The Debtors, therefore, filed the Extension of Avoidance Action Service Deadline Motion (Docket No. 12922) (the "First Extension Motion"), attached as Exhibit D hereto, seeking to extend the deadline to serve complaints by two months to May 31, 2008. In addition, the First Extension Motion—like all subsequent extension requests, including the Final Extension Motion—provided that notice of the motion had been provided in accordance with the Supplemental Order Under 11 U.S.C. §§ 102(1) And 105 And Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002(m), 9006, 9007, And 9014 Establishing Omnibus Hearing Dates And Certain Notice, Case Management, And Administrative Procedures (Docket No. 2883) (the "Supplemental Case Management Order"). (First Extension Motion ¶ 26.) The underlying predicate in this representation was the Debtors' good faith belief that the Supplemental Case Management Order should not be interpreted to require service of process on defendants that were party to sealed actions for which the Debtors were seeking procedural extensions of time to serve the complaints and summons.

6. At all relevant times, the Debtors were completely and publicly transparent about their interpretation of the Supplemental Case Management Order. Their interpretation is further supported by Bankruptcy Rule 9006(b)(1) which did not require the Debtors to serve the extension motions. See Law Debenture Trust Co. v. Calpine Corp. (In re Calpine Corp.) 356 B.R. 585, 595 (S.D.N.Y. 2007); Kernisant v. City of New York, 225 F.R.D. 422, 431 n.13 (E.D.N.Y. 2005); Brady v. Marks, 7 F. Supp. 2d 247 255 (W.D.N.Y. 1998). This additional authority was specifically cited in each of the extension motions subsequent to the First Extension Motion in a further effort to be completely transparent. Moreover, as early as the hearing on the First Extension Motion, the Debtors and the Court engaged in specific discussions regarding the scope of notice of the extension motions. Indeed, at the hearing on the First

Extension Motion, the Court specifically asked the Debtors whether the preference defendants that were named as retained actions under the Confirmed Plan had received notice of the First Extension Motion. The Debtors responded that such defendants "would have *not* gotten individualized notice unless they were on the 2002 list." (Hr'g Tr. 23:19-21, Mar. 19, 2008, relevant excerpts of which are attached as Exhibit E hereto (emphasis added).) The Debtors further explained that defendants were not served because they were not aware of the existence of the complaints. Id. 23:23-24. Taking these statements under advisement, the Court instructed the Debtors to settle the order approving the First Extension Motion on parties whose identities were publicly disclosed among the retained causes of action listed on Exhibit 7.24 of the Confirmed Plan—Laneko Engineering Co., Wachovia Bank, National Association, and Laneko Engineering Co., Inc. (See Hr'g Tr. 24:7-10, Mar. 19, 2008.) As to preference defendants in the other 741 Adversary Proceedings, most of which did not receive service of the First Extension Motion, the Court noted that: "With regard to the vast majority [of Adversary Proceedings], all the others, clearly there's a good basis for not activating that litigation. It would be moot upon consummation of the plan." Id. 24:12-14. To which the Debtors' counsel responded: "And the existence of those folks is obviously that the exhibit to the plan is public. So everyone knows what that retention is." Id. 24:15-17. The Court agreed. Id. 24:19.

7. Accordingly, on March 20, 2008, the Debtors filed a notice of presentment (Docket No. 13190) with respect to the order approving the First Extension Motion. No party objected. The Court therefore entered an order approving the First Extension Motion (Docket

Based on the information provided by special counsel handling the Adversary Proceedings, preference defendants—or their counsel either directly or indirectly by notice to such counsel's firm—in 21 of the 77 remaining Adversary Proceedings received actual notice of the First Extension Motion (14 on the master or 2002 service lists and 12 by electronic notification through the Court's ECF system—5 received both forms of notice). No objections were filed by anyone with respect to the First Extension Motion.

No. 13277), attached as <u>Exhibit F</u> hereto, which provided that "The Debtors shall serve a copy of this order upon each defendant in any Adversary Proceeding either when the Debtors serve a summons and complaint on such defendant or as soon thereafter as practicable." (Extension of Avoidance Action Service Deadline Order ¶ 2.) Additionally, based on the exchange with the Court regarding Laneko Engineering Co., Bank, National Association, and Laneko Engineering Co., Inc., the Debtors served these three parties in connection with all subsequent extension requests and included them in the notice sections of the corresponding motions.

investors failed to participate in a closing and fulfill their obligations to fund the Confirmed Plan, the Debtors filed a motion (Docket No. 13361) (the "Second Extension Motion"), attached as <a href="Exhibit G">Exhibit G</a> hereto, seeking to extend the service deadline from May 31, 2008, to a date thirty days after substantial consummatio of the Confirmed Plan or any modified plan. The Debtors served the Second Extension Motion upon the master and 2002 service lists, as well as Laneko Engineering Co., Wachovia Bank, National Association, and Laneko Engineering Co., Inc. The Second Extension Motion again stated that notice of the motion was provided in accordance with the Supplemental Case Management Order and, further, that notice of the motion also was provided to the three individual preference defendants. (Second Extension Motion ¶ 27.) This additional disclosure regarding notice to Laneko Engineering Co., Wachovia Bank, National Association, and Laneko Engineering Co., Inc. is consistent with the Debtors' interpretation of the requirements of the Supplemental Case Management Order as it pertained to the various

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extension motions and as discussed with the Court. Indeed, the disclosure of service on the three parties mandated by the Court in the prior hearing would have been meaningless if the Debtors had served all of the preference defendants.

9. At the hearing on the Second Extension Motion, the Debtors again raised the issue of service and informed the Court that:

We did give some specific notice in connection with [the Second Extension Motion], Your Honor. We gave notice of the motion to [Laneko] Engineering Company, Wachovia Bank National Association and the master service list and the 2002 list. The reason that we gave specific notice to [Laneko] and Wachovia was because those were the only two parties that had been identified under Exhibit 7.24 of the plan as having the avoidance actions preserved under the plan and, therefore, we gave particularized notice to them of the relief sought by the debtors. We have not given notice to the 742 other defendants therein which are under seal and it was not served on those defendants except to the extent those defendants already had placed themselves on either the master service list or the 2002 list.

(Hr'g Tr. 11:18-12:5, Apr. 30, 2008, relevant excerpts of which are attached as <u>Exhibit H</u> hereto.)
The Court concluded that:

Except for the notice you did give I don't think any further notice is necessary under the plain terms of 9006 and the cause is obviously that the analysis so far that's presented in the motion is the same as it was when the motion was originally granted which is that these causes of action are being preserved in light of the limitations period, however, it's not presently contemplated that they will be pursued, although obviously the preservation of them means that they may be pursued but given that there's no reason for either the debtors or the potential defendants to start to have to incur any costs in connection with the litigation . . . cause is shown under Rule 4(m) and 9006.

<u>Id.</u> 12:17-13:3. As a result, the order approving the Second Extension Motion (Docket No. 13484), attached as <u>Exhibit I</u> hereto, again provided that "The Debtors shall serve a copy of this order upon each defendant in any Adversary Proceeding either when the Debtors serve a summons and complaint on such defendant or as soon thereafter as practicable."

(Postconfirmation Extension of Avoidance Action Service Deadline Order ¶ 2.)

- 10. <u>Modified Plan</u>. On July 30, 2009, the Court entered an order approving the Modified Plan (Docket No. 18707). Among the various modifications to the Confirmed Plan, the Modified Plan provided for the retention of 177 of the 742 Adversary Proceedings. (See Modified Plan Ex. 7.19. ¶ 6.) At the time, the Debtors were considering whether to retain special counsel to prosecute the retained Adversary Proceedings and had not yet decided to proceed in any of the Adversary Proceedings. In accordance with paragraph 2 of the order approving the Second Extension Motion, the Debtors therefore determined to keep the retained Adversary Proceedings sealed until after substantial consummation of the Modified Plan.
- 11. Final Extension Motion. As the Debtors approached the effective date of the Modified Plan in October 2009, it became clear that facilitating the complex transactions provided for under the Modified Plan and the Master Disposition Agreement would consume most of the Reorganized Debtors' time and resources in the immediate wake of their emergence from chapter 11. (Final Extension Motion ¶ 17.) These restraints were particularly onerous once it was determined that the Reorganized Debtors would have only a single employee and that a separate law firm would pursue the Adversary Proceedings. (Hr'g Tr. 5:10-18, Oct. 22, 2009, attached as Exhibit J hereto). Although the Debtors had narrowed the number of Adversary Proceedings from 742 to 177, the Debtors concluded that an additional extension was necessary to evaluate the remaining Adversary Proceedings and determine whether to proceed with litigation. Accordingly, on October 2, 2009, the Debtors filed the Final Extension Motion seeking a further extension of the service deadline from 30 days to 180 days after the effective date of the Modified Plan. The underlying rationale for the Final Extension Motion remained the same as prior extensions. The Debtors believed that, given additional time to evaluate the 177 retained Adversary Actions, the Reorganized Debtors might elect not to pursue certain

preference claims, thereby avoiding unnecessary litigation and the corresponding costs to both the Reorganized Debtors and preference defendants. (Final Extension Motion ¶ 18.).

12. Upon filing the Final Extension Motion, the Debtors served the parties listed on the master and 2002 lists, as well as the special parties that the Court required be served in connection with the First Extension Motion and the Second Extension Motion (i.e., Laneko Engineering Co., Wachovia Bank, National Association, and Laneko Engineering Co., Inc.). (Final Extension Motion ¶ 24.) Like the previous extension motion, the Final Extension Motion stated that notice of the motion had been provided in accordance with the Supplemental Case Management Order. Once again, the Final Extension Motion also stated that notice of the motion was provided to Laneko Engineering Co., Wachovia Bank, National Association, and Laneko Engineering Co., Inc. As explained above, naming these three parties would have been meaningless if the Debtors had served every one of the remaining preference defendants. The Debtors did not individually serve any of the other preference defendants in the Adversary Proceedings with the Final Extension Motion. Nevertheless, based on the information provided by special counsel handling the Adversary Proceedings, preference defendants—or their counsel either directly or indirectly by notice to such counsel's firm—in 22 of the 77 remaining Adversary Proceedings received actual notice of the Final Extension Motion (12 on the master or 2002 service lists or by individual service and 19 by electronic notification through the Court's ECF system—7 received both forms of notice).<sup>5</sup> Consistent with the record in the chapter 11 cases with respect to the prosecution of the First and Second Extension Motions, counsel to the Reorganized Debtors noted on the record at the hearing on the Final Extension Motion that

As with the prior extension motions, no objections were filed by *anyone* with respect to the Final Extension Motion.

service had been completed "in the usual fashion." (Hr'g Tr. 5:21, Oct. 22, 2009.) Approving the Final Extension Motion, the Court observed that:

Obviously the debtors' decision to proceed this way is borne out by the fact that the vast majority of these cases have already been, effectively, booted out. And as the motion states, the potential plaintiff, here, certainly should have a little more time to analyze whether it makes sense to bring the remaining lawsuits or only some of them before DPH and the defendants incur additional costs.

Id. 6:20-7:1. And, once again, the order approving the Final Extension Motion (Docket No. 18999) provided that "The Debtors shall serve a copy of this order upon each defendant in any Adversary Proceeding *either when the Debtors serve a summons and complaint on such defendant or as soon thereafter as practicable.*" (Postconfirmation Extension of Avoidance Action Service Deadline Order (Docket No. 18999) ¶ 2, attached as <u>Exhibit K</u> hereto (emphasis added).)

#### **STATEMENT**

the Court granted earlier extensions—the Modified Plan, unlike the Confirmed Plan, contemplated that the Reorganized Debtors would pursue at least some of the undisclosed Adversary Proceedings—the rationale for keeping complaints sealed and withholding notice to undisclosed preference defendants remained the same at the time of the Final Extension Motion. The Debtors already had made the decision not to pursue the substantial majority of the Adversary Proceedings by retaining only 177 of the 742 Adversary Proceedings, and believed that further resources of both the Reorganized Debtors and the preference defendants could be saved by giving the Reorganized Debtors additional time with its recently retained special

To be sure, this requirement to serve preference defendants along with the complaint would have been redundant if all preference defendants were required to receive service at the time of the hearing.

counsel to assess the remaining Adversary Proceedings and potentially avoid unnecessary litigation. The Debtors' demonstration of good cause in connection with the Final Extension Motion cannot be vitiated because the Reorganized Debtors, with the benefit of additional time, determined that it was in the Debtors best interests to pursue the retained Adversary Proceedings.

14. As set forth above, the lack of notice to preference defendants prior to the hearing on the Final Extension Motion was not the result of any dereliction by the Debtors. In fact, as described above, notice of the Final Extension Motion was made in the same manner as notice of each of the First and Second Extension Motions under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(m), including identically phrased references to the Supplemental Case Management Order. By confirming at the hearing on the Final Extension Motion that notice of the Final Extension Motion was provided "in the usual fashion," the Debtors did nothing more than confirm the scope and method of process that had been reviewed with and approved by the Court in respect of the trilogy of 4(m) extension motions. As explained herein, the Debtors had consistently and candidly disclosed that this description of the service of the motions specifically did *not* include service on the preference defendants whose complaints remained under seal, and who were not otherwise on the master or 2002 service lists (except as otherwise specifically required by the Court).

15. Accordingly, notice of each of the First, Second, and Final Extension

Motions was consistent with the Preservation of Estate Claims Procedures Order and the
statements made on the record at the hearings on those motions. Any assertion to the contrary in
the Declarations is incorrect.

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### **EXHIBIT A**

Supplemental Postconfirmation Extension of Avoidance Action Service Deadline Motion Hearing Date And Time: October 22, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. (prevailing Eastern time) Objection Deadline: October 15, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern time)

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In re : Chapter 11

DELPHI CORPORATION, et al., : Case No. 05-44481 (RDD)

(Jointly Administered)

Debtors. :

SUPPLEMENTAL MOTION PURSUANT TO FED. R. BANKR. P. 7004(a) AND 9006(b)(1) AND FED. R. CIV. P. 4(m) TO EXTEND DEADLINE TO SERVE PROCESS FOR AVOIDANCE ACTIONS FILED IN CONNECTION WITH PRESERVATION OF ESTATE CLAIMS PROCEDURES ORDER

("SUPPLEMENTAL POSTCONFIRMATION EXTENSION OF AVOIDANCE ACTION SERVICE DEADLINE MOTION")



Delphi Corporation ("Delphi") and certain of its subsidiaries and affiliates, debtors and debtors-in-possession in the above-captioned cases (collectively, the "Debtors"), hereby submit this Supplemental Motion Pursuant To Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7004(a) And 9006(b)(1) And Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m) To Extend Deadline To Serve Process For Avoidance Actions Filed In Connection With Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order (the "Motion"), and respectfully represent as follows:

#### Background

#### A. The Chapter 11 Filings

- 1. On October 8 and 14, 2005, the Debtors filed voluntary petitions in this Court for reorganization relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101-1330, as then amended (the "Bankruptcy Code"). The Debtors continue to operate their businesses and manage their properties as debtors-in-possession under Bankruptcy Code sections 1107(a) and 1108. This Court has ordered joint administration of these cases.
- 2. No trustee or examiner has been appointed in these cases. On October 17, 2005, the Office of the United States Trustee (the "U.S. Trustee") appointed an official committee of unsecured creditors (the "Creditors' Committee"). On April 28, 2006, the U.S. Trustee appointed an official committee of equity holders, which was disbanded on April 24, 2009. On February 26, 2009, the U.S. Trustee appointed an official committee of retired employees to represent certain of the Debtors' current active salaried employees, retirees, and their spouses for certain limited purposes.
- 3. This Court has jurisdiction over this Motion pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334. Venue is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409. This matter is a core proceeding under 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2).

4. The statutory predicates for the relief requested herein are rules 7004 and 9004 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules") and rule 4(m) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

#### B. Plan Confirmation And Postconfirmation Matters

- 5. On December 10, 2007, the Debtors filed their first amended joint plan of reorganization (Docket No. 11386) (the "Plan") and related disclosure statement (Docket No. 11388). On January 25, 2008, the Court entered an order (Docket No. 12359) (the "Confirmation Order") confirming the Plan, as modified (the "Confirmed Plan"). The Confirmation Order became final on February 4, 2008.
- Ouring the fall of 2008 the Debtors formulated certain modifications to the Confirmed Plan. On October 3, 2008, Delphi filed a motion under 11 U.S.C. § 1127 for an order approving these modifications and also sought approval of a related disclosure statement and procedures for re-soliciting votes on the Confirmed Plan, as modified (Docket No. 14310) (the "Plan Modification Motion"). Subsequently, however, substantial uncertainty and significant decline in capacity in global debt and equity markets, the global economic downturn generally, and an unprecedented decline in global automotive production volumes adversely impacted Delphi's ability to develop a revised recapitalization plan and successfully consummate the modified plan of reorganization. Moreover, as a result of market turbulence, the Debtors were unable to extend the maturity date of their DIP credit facility (the "DIP Facility") on terms reasonably acceptable to the Debtors and their other stakeholders. Accordingly, with the support of the administrative agent (the "DIP Agent") and the requisite lenders under the DIP Facility, the Debtors entered into an accommodation agreement (as subsequently amended) to allow the Debtors, among other things, to continue using certain of the proceeds of the DIP Facility.

- 7. On June 1, 2009, the Debtors filed a supplement to the Plan Modification Motion (the "Motion Supplement") which sought approval of certain additional modifications to the Confirmed Plan (the "Modified Plan") as well as supplemental disclosure and procedures for re-soliciting votes on the Modified Plan. The Motion Supplement was approved, with modifications, by order entered June 16, 2009 (the "Modification Procedures Order") and was later supplemented and amended by orders entered June 29, 2009 (Docket No. 17376), July 17, 2009 (Docket No. 18352), and July 21, 2009 (Docket No. 18551).
- 8. Also on June 1, 2009, while facing the most difficult economic period in decades with the most precipitous drop in U.S. vehicle sale volumes in half a century, Delphi reached an agreement to effect its emergence from chapter 11 through a transaction with Parnassus Holdings II, LLC ("Parnassus"), an affiliate of Platinum Equity, and with the support of GM Components Holdings LLC ("GM Components"), an affiliate of GM. In the exercise of the Debtors' fiduciary responsibilities to maximize the value of their estates for the benefit of all of their stakeholders, the Debtors executed an agreement (the "Platinum-GM MDA") to reflect the foregoing transactions through a plan of reorganization. The agreement and the changes to the Confirmed Plan were filed as part of the Motion Supplement on June 1, 2009.
- 9. The Modification Procedures Order, among other things, authorized the Debtors to commence solicitation of votes on the Modified Plan and set forth a comprehensive set of supplemental procedures for evaluating non-solicited alternative transactions to the Platinum-GM MDA (as supplemented and amended, the "Supplemental Procedures"). The Supplemental Procedures provided for, among other things, an auction open to DIP Lenders making a Pure Credit Bid (as defined therein) and other Qualified Bidders (as defined therein).
- 10. Pursuant to the Supplemental Procedures, the Debtors held an auction on July 26 and 27, 2009 (the "Auction") at which the DIP Agent submitted a Pure Credit Bid on

behalf of the DIP Lenders that was supported by the requisite majority of the two most senior tranches of the DIP Facility (the "Required Lenders"). The Pure Credit Bid involved a credit bid of 100% of the principal and interest due and owing in respect of the DIP Facility under the DIP Credit Agreement (after giving effect to the application of any cash collateral to the DIP Facility) and was based upon an alternative Master Disposition Agreement (the "Master Disposition Agreement") pursuant to which DIP Holdco 3, LLC ("DIP Holdco 3") would replace Parnassus as a purchaser, subject to the terms of the Master Disposition Agreement. DIP Holdco 3 is an entity controlled by certain of the DIP lenders that together constitute the Required Lenders under the DIP Facility. At the conclusion of the Auction, after careful consideration, Delphi's board of directors determined that the Pure Credit Bid was superior to the Platinum-GM MDA, and approved it, subject to the parties' reaching a final agreement as to the terms and conditions of the Modification Approval Order and other items. Subsequently, the Debtors made certain further modifications to the Modified Plan to address the results of the Auction.

11. After holding a final plan modification hearing on July 29 and 30, 2009, the Court entered an order approving the Modified Plan (Docket No. 18707) on July 30, 2009. Upon the effectiveness of the Modified Plan, Delphi will contemporaneously effectuate transactions, including the Master Disposition Agreement, through which DIP Holdco 3 will operate Delphi's U.S. and non-U.S. businesses going forward with \$3.6 billion in emergence capital and capital commitments but without the labor-related legacy costs associated with the North American sites which, together with Delphi's global steering business, are being acquired by GM Components. DPH Holdings Corporation ("DPH Holdings") will emerge as a reorganized entity that retains certain residual non-core and non-strategic assets and liabilities that are expected to be divested over time.

12. Consummation of these transactions through the Modified Plan, which embodies concessions made by parties-in-interest to resolve these chapter 11 cases, will provide for the satisfaction of all of the Debtors' administrative claims, secured claims, and priority claims and a potential distribution to holders of general unsecured claims. Moreover, Delphi's emerging businesses, through GM Components and DIP Holdco 3, will continue to develop and deliver high-quality products to their customers globally.

#### C. The Establishment Of Procedures to Preserve Estate Claims

- entered that certain Order Under 11 U.S.C. §§ 102(1)(A), 105(a), 107, 108(a)(2), And 546(a)

  And Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7004, 9006(c), And 9018 (i) Authorizing Debtors To Enter Into

  Stipulations Tolling Statute Of Limitations With Respect To Certain Claims, (ii) Authorizing

  Procedures To Identify Causes Of Action That Should Be Preserved, And (iii) Establishing

  Procedures For Certain Adversary Proceedings Including Those Commenced By Debtors Under

  11 U.S.C. § 541, 544, 545, 547, 548, Or 553 ("Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order")

  (Docket No. 9105). On March 28, 2008, this Court entered the Order Pursuant To Fed. R. Bankr.

  P. 7004(a) And 9006(b)(1) And Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m) To Extend Deadline To Serve Process For Avoidance Actions Filed In Connection With Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order

  (Docket No. 13277) (the "Deadline Extension Order").
- 14. The purpose of the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order was two-fold: on the one hand, it permitted the Debtors to preserve their right to pursue (or abandon) certain avoidance actions before the then-impending expiration of the two-year statute of limitations to file such actions; on the other hand, it established procedures to avoid having to force all potential defendants to retain counsel and defend against the adversary proceedings when, in fact, the Debtors anticipated that most of them would be resolved upon the Debtors'

emergence from chapter 11 and thus never pursued. To that end, the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order and the Deadline Extension Order (i) allowed the Debtors to file adversary proceeding complaints under seal, (ii) directed the Clerk of Court to delay issuing summonses for complaints unless and until the Debtors notified the Clerk of Court of their intent to prosecute such actions, (iii) stayed each adversary action unless and until the Debtors make service of process on the respective defendants, and (iv) extended the deadline under Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m) by which the Debtors would have to serve process to May 31, 2008, so that the complaints would not be subject to dismissal under Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m). Such relief was intended to allow the Debtors to preserve potentially valuable assets without disrupting the Confirmed Plan process or business relationships or prejudicing the rights of any defendants. In accordance with the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order, the Debtors commenced 742 adversary proceedings (the "Adversary Proceedings") by filing complaints under seal.

15. On April 10, 2008, after the Debtors' plan investors failed to participate in a closing and fulfill their obligations to fund the Confirmed Plan, the Debtors filed a Motion Pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7004(a) And 9006(b)(1) And Fed R. Civ. P. 4(m) To Extend Deadline To Serve Process For Avoidance Actions Filed In Connection With Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order (the "Postconfirmation Extension Motion") (Docket No. 13361), seeking to extend the service deadline set forth in the Deadline Extension Order until 30 days after substantial consummation of the Confirmed Plan or any modified plan. The Court granted this extension by order entered April 30, 2008 (the "Postconfirmation Extension Order") (Docket No. 13484).

#### Relief Requested

16. By this Motion, the Debtors request entry of an order under Bankruptcy Rule 9006(b)(1) and Federal Rule Of Civil Procedure 4(m), made applicable by Bankruptcy

Rule 7004(a), to further extend the deadline by which the Debtors would be required to serve a summons and complaint upon each defendant under the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order, as modified by the Deadline Extension Order and the Postconfirmation Extension Order. Specifically, the Debtors request that the existing service deadline set forth in the Deadline Extension Order be extended to 180 days after substantial consummation of the Modified Plan.

#### Basis For Relief

17. A further extension of the time for service in the Adversary Proceedings is necessary due to the complex nature of the transactions set forth in the Modified Plan and the Master Disposition Agreement. At the time of the Debtors' request to extend their Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m) deadline to serve defendants in the Adversary Proceedings until 30 days after substantial consummation of a plan of reorganization, the Confirmed Plan contemplated that the Debtors would maintain essentially the same identity and corporate organization following substantial consummation and that the reorganized company would retain few causes action. As noted above, however, the transaction set forth in the Modified Plan and the Master Disposition Agreement divides the Debtors' business among three separate parties: DPH Holdings LLC, GM Components, and DIP Holdco 3. The Debtors anticipate that, in the months following effectiveness of the Modified Plan, a significant amount of time and resources will be devoted to supporting the transition of operations among these three entities and implementing the Modified Plan. Moreover, Exhibit 7.19 of the Modified Plan lists significantly more causes of action that will be retained by DPH Holdings than originally retained under the Confirmed Plan, including

177 of the Adversary Proceedings filed under seal (the "Retained Adversary Proceedings"). Consequently, the Debtors do not believe that DPH Holdings will be able to evaluate each of the retained Adversary Proceedings – for example, to assess the ongoing relationship with certain defendants and whether events since initiating the Adversary Proceedings have impacted the Debtors' estimated recoveries – and make a determination whether to pursue such Adversary Proceedings within 30 days after substantial consummation of the Modified Plan.

- Debtors and defendants in the Adversary Proceedings from incurring unnecessary costs.

  Although the Debtors ultimately may determine not to prosecute certain of the Adversary

  Proceedings listed on Exhibit 7.19 of the Modified Plan, the Debtors would have to effect service
  to each of the 177 Retained Adversary Proceedings soon after substantial consummation to allow
  the Debtors enough to timely serve each defendant and meet the deadline set forth in the

  Postconfirmation Extension Order. In turn, defendants who are parties to Retained Adversary

  Proceedings that the Debtors otherwise might not ultimately pursue could be forced to
  unnecessarily incur litigation expenses associated with the defense of such Adversary

  Proceedings.
- 19. The Debtors believe that there is good cause for the extension of the Fed.

  R. Civ. P. 4(m) deadline because such an extension would reduce the administrative and economic burdens of the Retained Adversary Proceedings on the Debtors and the potential

Under the Modified Plan, the Debtors will not retain any of the causes of action asserted in the Adversary Proceedings except those listed on Exhibit 7.19 to the Modified Plan. Although the Debtors' request for an extension of the Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m) deadline is applicable to all of the Adversary Proceedings, upon substantial consummation of the Modified Plan – which may occur prior to the scheduled hearing on this Motion – the extension will affect only those actions specifically retained pursuant to section 7.19 of the Modified Plan.

defendants. Specifically, the Debtors believe that the resources that they and the defendants would need to expend prematurely to issue and serve 177 summonses and complaints in the Retained Adversary Proceedings – and the potential need thereafter to prosecute and defend such adversary proceedings – would not be in the best interests of the Debtors' estates, the Debtors' stakeholders, and other parties-in-interest. The Debtors submit that these reasons comprise good cause for the requested extension.

#### **Applicable Authority**

- 20. The Bankruptcy Rules and Federal Rules of Civil Procedure grant this Court discretion to adopt and implement guidelines which will aid in the administration of Adversary Proceedings, including discretion to grant the proposed extension of the service of process deadline. See Zapata v. City of New York, 502 F.3d 192, 195 (2d Cir. 2007) (Rule 4(m) authorizes court to grant extensions of service period); In re Sheehan, 253 F.3d 507, 511 (9th Cir. 2001) ("The time for service in an adversary proceeding may be extended under two different rules: Rule 4(m) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and Bankruptcy Rule 9006(b).").
- 21. Bankruptcy Rule 9006(b)(1) provides for the enlargement of time to perform acts required under the Bankruptcy Rules: "[W]hen an act is required or allowed to be done at or within a specified period by these rules or by a notice given thereunder or by order of court, the court for cause shown may at any time in its discretion . . . order the period enlarged if the request therefor is made before the expiration of the period originally prescribed or as extended by a previous order . . . ." Fed. R. Bankr. P. 9006(b)(1).
- 22. Moreover, Fed. R. Civil P. 4(m), made applicable here by Bankruptcy Rule 7004(a), requires courts, upon a showing of good cause, to extend the period for service of process after the filing of a complaint. See Bank of Cape Verde v. Bronson, 167 F.R.D. 370, 371-72 (S.D.N.Y. 1996) (good cause existed when future events would likely have "obviated the

need to serve the [] complaint" and when plaintiff requested extension before Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m) deadline expired). Even absent good cause, this Court has discretion to extend the 120-day service period. See Zapata, 502 F.3d at 196; Mejia v. Castle Hotel Inc., 164 F.R.D. 343, 345 (S.D.N.Y. 1996).

23. The Debtors accordingly request that the Court extend the Debtors' Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m) deadline to serve each defendant in the Adversary Proceedings commenced in connection with the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order with a summons and a copy of the complaint until 180 days after substantial consummation of the Modified Plan, without prejudice to the Debtors' right to seek further extensions of the deadline and without prejudice to the right of each of Laneko Engineering Co., Wachovia Bank, National Association, and Laneko Engineering Co., Inc.<sup>2</sup> to seek a shortening of the deadline.

#### Notice Of Motion

24. Although notice is not required by Fed. R. Bankr. P. 9006(b)(1), see Law Debenture Trust Co. v. Calpine Corp. (In re Calpine Corp.), 356 B.R. 585, 595 (S.D.N.Y. 2007); Kernisant v. City of New York, 225 F.R.D. 422, 431 n.13 (E.D.N.Y. 2005); Brady v. Marks, 7 F. Supp. 2d 247, 255 (W.D.N.Y. 1998), notice of this Motion has been provided in accordance with the Supplemental Order Under 11 U.S.C. §§ 102(1) And 105 And Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002(m), 9006, 9007, And 9014 Establishing Omnibus Hearing Dates And Certain Notice, Case Management, And Administrative Procedures, entered March 20, 2006 (Docket No. 2883), and the Fifteenth Supplemental Order Under 11 U.S.C. §§ 102(1) And 105 And Fed. R. Bankr. P.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Causes of action against Laneko Engineering Co., Wachovia Bank, National Association, and Laneko Engineering Co. Inc. were previously disclosed on Exhibit 7.24 of the Confirmed Plan as actions that would be retained, and these causes of action have again been retained pursuant to section 7.19 of the Modified Plan.

2002(m), 9006, 9007, And 9014 Establishing Omnibus Hearing Dates And Certain Notice, Case Management, And Administrative Procedures, entered August 27, 2009 (Docket No. 18839).

Notice has also been provided to Laneko Engineering Co., Wachovia Bank, National Association, and Laneko Engineering Co., Inc. In light of the nature of the relief requested, the Debtors submit that no other or further notice is necessary.

WHEREFORE the Debtors respectfully request that the Court enter an order

(a) granting the relief requested herein and (b) granting the Debtors such other and further relief as is just.

Dated: New York, New York October 2, 2009

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ORDER PURSUANT TO FED. R. BANKR. P. 7004(a) AND 9006(b)(1) AND FED. R. CIV. P. 4(m) TO EXTEND DEADLINE TO SERVE PROCESS FOR AVOIDANCE ACTIONS FILED IN CONNECTION WITH PRESERVATION OF ESTATE CLAIMS PROCEDURES ORDER

# ("POSTCONFIRMATION EXTENSION OF AVOIDANCE ACTION SERVICE DEADLINE ORDER")

Upon the supplemental motion, dated October 2, 2009 (the "Motion"), of Delphi Corporation ("Delphi") and certain of its subsidiaries and affiliates, debtors and debtors-in-possession in the above-captioned cases (collectively, the "Debtors"), for an order under Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure 7004(a) and 9006(b)(1) and Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(m) to extend the deadline to serve process for Adversary Proceedings<sup>1</sup> commenced in connection with the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order<sup>2</sup> (Docket No. 9105), which deadline was previously extended to May 31, 2008 pursuant to the Order Pursuant To Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7004(a) And 9006(b)(1) And Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m) To Extend Deadline To Serve Process For Avoidance Actions Filed In

Capitalized terms used and not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

The Adversary Proceedings are listed by adversary proceeding number on Exhibit A attached hereto.

Connection With Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order (Docket No. 13277) (the "First Deadline Extension Order") and further extended to 30 days after substantial consummation of the Confirmed Plan or any modified plan pursuant to the Motion Pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7004(a) And 9006(b)(1) And Fed R. Civ. P. 4(m) To Extend Deadline To Serve Process For Avoidance Actions Filed In Connection With Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order (Docket No. 13361) (the "Postconfirmation Extension Motion"); and upon the record of the hearing held on the Motion; and this Court having determined that the relief requested in the Motion as granted herein is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, their creditors, and other parties-in-interest; and it appearing that proper and adequate notice of the Motion has been given, and it appearing that no other or further notice is necessary; and after due deliberation thereon; and good and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is hereby

#### ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED THAT:

- 1. The Motion is GRANTED as provided herein.
- 2. Paragraph 8 of the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order, as previously modified by the First Deadline Extension Order and the Postconfirmation Extension Motion, is hereby further modified so that the time under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(m) by which the Debtors must serve a defendant in the Adversary Proceedings with a summons and complaint is further extended until 180 days after substantial consummation of the Modified Plan, without prejudice, however, to the Debtors' right to seek further extensions and without prejudice to the right of each of Laneko Engineering Co., Wachovia Bank, National Association, and Laneko Engineering Co. Inc. to seek a

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shortening of the deadline. The Debtors shall serve a copy of this order upon each

defendant in any Adversary Proceeding either when the Debtors serve a summons and

complaint on such defendant or as soon thereafter as practicable. All other provisions of

the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order shall remain in effect.

3. This order shall be deemed entered in each of the Adversary

Proceedings.

4. The Debtors shall file a copy of this order in each of the Adversary

Proceedings.

5. This Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters

arising from the implementation of this order.

Dated: New York, New York October \_\_\_\_, 2009

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

## **EXHIBIT A**

Adversary	Adversary	Adversary
Proceeding	Proceeding	Proceeding
Number	Number	Number
07-02074	07-02302	07-02592
07-02076	07-02305	07-02597
07-02077	07-02309	07-02600
07-02084	07-02310	07-02602
07-02090	07-02312	07-02605
07-02096	07-02313	07-02606
07-02098	07-02322	07-02607
07-02124	07-02328	07-02617
07-02125	07-02333	07-02618
07-02130	07-02337	07-02619
07-02131	07-02339	07-02623
07-02133	07-02344	07-02625
07-02135	07-02348	07-02633
07-02138	07-02350	07-02639
07-02140	07-02351	07-02644
07-02142	07-02357	07-02649
07-02147	07-02358	07-02650
07-02151	07-02372	07-02652
07-02161	07-02374	07-02654
07-02177	07-02378	07-02657
07-02182	07-02414	07-02659
07-02185	07-02416	07-02661
07-02186	07-02432	07-02668
07-02188	07-02433	07-02672
07-02198	07-02435	07-02679
07-02201	07-02436	07-02688
07-02203	07-02442	07-02689
07-02210	07-02445	07-02690
07-02211	07-02449	07-02694
07-02212	07-02457	07-02697
07-02214	07-02459	07-02702
07-02217	07-02462	07-02711
07-02220	07-02466	07-02712
07-02227	07-02475	07-02714
07-02234	07-02477	07-02720

Adversary Proceeding	Adversary Proceeding	Adversary Proceeding
Number	Number	Number
07-02236	07-02479	07-02723
07-02238	07-02484	07-02730
07-02242	07-02489	07-02737
07-02245	07-02500	07-02739
07-02248	07-02505	07-02742
07-02250	07-02523	07-02743
07-02256	07-02525	07-02744
07-02257	07-02527	07-02745
07-02258	07-02534	07-02750
07-02259	07-02539	07-02753
07-02260	07-02540	07-02756
07-02262	07-02541	07-02758
07-02270	07-02543	07-02767
07-02272	07-02551	07-02768
07-02274	07-02553	07-02769
07-02280	07-02554	07-02775
07-02282	07-02555	07-02783
07-02284	07-02556	07-02785
07-02287	07-02562	07-02787
07-02288	07-02563	07-02789
07-02291	07-02571	07-02790
07-02295	07-02572	07-02799
07-02298	07-02580	07-02800
07-02301	07-02581	07-02804

### EXHIBIT B

**Preservation of Estate Claims Procedures Order** 

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re

In re

Chapter 11

Case No. 05-44481 (RDD)

Debtors.

(Jointly Administered)

ORDER UNDER 11 U.S.C. §§ 102(1)(A), 105(a), 107, 108(a)(2), AND 546(a) AND FED. R. BANKR. P. 7004, 9006(c), AND 9018
(i) AUTHORIZING DEBTORS TO ENTER INTO STIPULATIONS TOLLING STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS WITH RESPECT TO CERTAIN CLAIMS, (ii) AUTHORIZING PROCEDURES TO IDENTIFY CAUSES OF ACTION THAT SHOULD BE PRESERVED, AND (iii) ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR CERTAIN ADVERSARY PROCEEDINGS INCLUDING THOSE COMMENCED BY DEBTORS UNDER 11 U.S.C. § 541, 544, 545, 547, 548, OR 553

#### ("PRESERVATION OF ESTATE CLAIMS PROCEDURES ORDER")

Upon the motion, dated August 6, 2007 (the "Motion"), of Delphi

Corporation ("Delphi") and certain of its subsidiaries and affiliates, debtors and debtors-inpossession in the above-captioned cases (collectively, the "Debtors"), for an order (the

"Order") under 11 U.S.C. §§ 102(1)(A), 105(a), 107, 108(a)(2), and 546(a) and Federal

Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 7004, 7016(b), 9006, and 9018 (i) authorizing the Debtors

to enter into stipulations tolling the statute of limitations with respect to certain claims,

(ii) authorizing procedures to identify causes of action that should be preserved, and



(iii) establishing procedures for certain Adversary Proceedings<sup>1</sup> commenced by the Debtors under 11 U.S.C. § 541, 544, 545, 547, 548, or 553; and upon the record of the hearing held on the Motion; and this Court having determined that the relief requested in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, their creditors, and other parties-in-interest; and it appearing that proper and adequate notice of the Motion has been given and that no other or further notice is necessary; and after due deliberation thereon; and good and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is hereby

#### ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED THAT:

- 1. The Motion is GRANTED.
- 2. The filing and service procedures set forth under the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Rules, and any orders of this Court in these chapter 11 cases are modified or waived, as the case may be, as provided herein with respect to the Adversary Proceedings.
- 3. <u>Scope Of The Procedures</u>. The procedures established by this Order apply to each Adversary Proceeding that the Debtors identify to the Clerk of the Court as being subject to these procedures.
- 4. <u>Approval Of Tolling Agreements</u>. The Debtors are hereby authorized to enter into stipulations, substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit 1</u>, tolling the statute of limitations with respect to claims described in the Motion for the tolling period described in the Motion. Each Debtor is deemed to have entered into such a

Capitalized terms used and not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

stipulation with other Debtors and affiliated non-Debtor entities either controlled by the Debtors or that had actual notice of this Motion.

- Procedures To Identify Causes Of Action And Abandonment 5. Authority. The procedures set forth in the Motion to identify causes of action that should be preserved are approved. The Debtors are authorized, without the need for any further order or any further notice under Bankruptcy Rule 6007(a), to abandon those causes of action or categories of causes of action that the Debtors propose in the Motion to abandon. Subject to the procedures set forth in the Motion, the Debtors are further authorized to abandon without further notice causes of action falling within the additional categories of causes of action identified in the Motion and which they determine should not be pursued, without the need for any further order or any further notice under Bankruptcy Rule 6007(a) with the exception of the notice and opportunity for a hearing provided in the next sentence. The Debtors may abandon such additional causes of action after giving 10 days' notice thereof to the Statutory Committees; if a Statutory Committee objects within 10 days after service of the notice, the Debtors may bring the matter before this Court for a ruling on whether the proposed abandonment satisfies section 554(a) of the Bankruptcy Code. Notwithstanding any such abandonment, the Debtors fully reserve and preserve all of their rights under section 502(d) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 6. <u>Scope Of Fraudulent Transfer Review</u>. For purposes of identifying and preserving potential fraudulent transfer claims, the Debtors need only review the following categories of transactions: merger and acquisition deals at or exceeding \$20 million, transfers to Delphi's board of directors or strategy board members other than

for compensation or ordinary-course expense reimbursement (if any), unusual securities transactions (if any), dividend distributions to 5% shareholders, and Delphi's "financially troubled supplier" program.

Filing Of Complaints Under Seal. The Clerk of Court is directed to 7. accept for filing, under seal, paper copies of the complaint in each Adversary Proceeding that the Debtors inform the Clerk is subject to these procedures. The Debtors may also file under seal any amended complaint in the Adversary Proceeding for so long as the Adversary Proceeding remains stayed in accordance with paragraph 9 below. Absent further order of the Court or termination of the stay in accordance with paragraph 9 below, the case docket for any such Adversary Proceeding shall not disclose the identity of any defendant in the Adversary Proceeding and shall not disclose the complaint or any amended complaint in the Adversary Proceeding. The Debtors shall coordinate with the Clerk of Court to accomplish an efficient and cost-effective filing of the complaints and amended complaints contemplated by this order. The Debtors shall submit to the Clerk, under seal, appropriate electronic media containing PDF copies of the complaints and amended complaints. This order shall not preclude the Debtors, in their sole discretion, from making a copy of a complaint or amended complaint available to parties; provided that the Debtors maintain an internal record that they, and not the Clerk, made the complaint or amended complaint available. The Debtors and GM shall have leave to file, under seal, a stipulation acceptable to the Statutory Committees that contains tolling provisions, consistent with this order, and other agreements of the parties with respect to the sealed complaint involving GM, which stipulation shall be deemed "so ordered" and

shall be sealed in accordance with the terms of this order. The complaint and any amended complaint filed in an Adversary Proceeding shall remain under seal until the stay terminates in accordance with paragraph 9 below.

- 8. Extension of the Time for Service Under Federal Rule of Civil

  Procedure 4(m). The Debtors shall have until March 31, 2008 to serve each defendant in the Adversary Proceedings with summons and complaint, without prejudice to seek further extensions.
- Proceedings denominated by the Debtors as subject to these procedures shall be stayed until the earlier of (i) the Debtors' service of a summons and complaint on the defendant in any Adversary Proceeding and (ii) further order of this Court after application therefor. Notwithstanding the stay, the Debtors may amend their complaint during the stay. Also, during the stay, the Debtors may dismiss any Adversary Proceeding after 10 days' notice to counsel to the Statutory Committees. If a Statutory Committee objects within 10 days after service of the notice of dismissal, the Debtors may bring the matter before this Court for a ruling on whether the proposed dismissal satisfies section 554(a) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 10. <u>Deferral Of Issuance Of Summons</u>. The Clerk of Court is directed not to issue summons in any Adversary Proceeding denominated by the Debtors as subject to these procedures until either the stay is lifted with respect to such Adversary Proceeding or the Debtors request the Clerk of Court to issue a summons.

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11. <u>Service Of Order With Summons And Complaint</u>. The Debtors

must serve a copy of this order upon each defendant in any Adversary Proceeding either

when the Debtors serve a summons and complaint on the defendant or as soon thereafter as

practicable.

12. Additional Procedures. This Order is without prejudice to the

Debtors' seeking additional procedures to govern the Adversary Proceedings.

13. This Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters

arising from the implementation of this order.

14. The requirement under Rule 9013-1(b) of the Local Bankruptcy

Rules for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York for

the service and filing of a separate memorandum of law is deemed satisfied by the Motion.

Dated: August 16, 2007

New York, New York

/s/ Robert D. Drain
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In re : Chapter 11

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DELPHI CORPORATION, et al., : Case No. 05-44481 (RDD)

(Jointly Administered)

Debtors. :

# STIPULATION TOLLING APPLICABLE STATUTES OF LIMITATIONS WITH RESPECT TO CLAIMS AGAINST [DEFENDANT]

Delphi Corporation ("Delphi") and certain of its subsidiaries and affiliates, debtors and debtors-in-possession in the above-captioned cases (collectively, the "Debtors"), and [Defendant], and its affiliates and subsidiaries, hereby agree and state as follows:

WHEREAS on October 8, 2007 and October 14, 2007 (together, the "Filing Date"), the

Debtors filed voluntary petitions for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code") in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "Bankruptcy Court").

WHEREAS in the course of the Debtors' bankruptcy cases, claims and causes of action under or through various provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, including, without limitation, sections 502, 541, 544, 545, 547, 548, 550, and 553 of the Bankruptcy Code, might be asserted by one or more of the Debtors or asserted on behalf of the Debtors' estates against [Defendant].

WHEREAS [Defendant] might wish to assert defenses, setoffs, and counterclaims to such claims or causes of action by the Debtors.

WHEREAS the Debtors and [Defendant] seek to avoid the cost and expense of unnecessary motion practice and litigation and seek to preserve all of their respective legal rights without allowing any applicable statute of limitations to expire and without acknowledging in any way that valid claims, causes of action, or defenses thereto exist or do not exist.

THEREFORE, the Debtors and [Defendant] stipulate and agree as follows:

- 1. The running of any applicable statute of limitations under sections 108 and 546(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, and all other time limitations or time-based defenses concerning any claim or cause of action against [Defendant] which might be asserted by one or more of the Debtors or asserted on behalf of the Debtors' estates under or through various provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, including, without limitation, any of sections 502, 541, 544, 545, 547, 548, and 553 of the Bankruptcy Code (the "Claims"), is hereby tolled.
- 2. The time elapsed during the Tolled Period (defined below) with respect to the Claims is excluded from any computation of time for purposes of any argument or defense based on statutes of limitations, laches, estoppel, waiver, and any other time-based defense or

right. As of the termination of this stipulation, the rights of each of the undersigned parties and their successors, assigns, and legal representatives with respect to the Claims will be as they were immediately before the execution of this stipulation with respect to the interposition of any argument or defense based on statutes of limitations, laches, estoppel, waiver, and any other time-based defense or right. This stipulation does not revive any Claim which was barred by the statute of limitations or any other time-based defense before the date this stipulation was executed.

- 3. The provisions of this stipulation extend up to and include the first business day nine months following entry of an order confirming the Plan, as the same may have been amended or modified before its entry (the "Tolled Period").
- 4. Notwithstanding the provisions contained herein, in the sole and absolute discretion of the Debtors, or their respective successors and assigns, the Debtors or such successors and assigns are permitted to commence any litigation against [Defendant] during the Tolled Period.
- 5. Each of the parties acknowledges that it has read all of the terms of this stipulation and enters into those terms voluntarily and without duress.
- 6. This stipulation contains the entire agreement between the parties regarding the provisions set forth above and may be modified only in a writing signed by the parties or their duly appointed agents, upon notice to counsel for the official committee of unsecured creditors.
- 7. This stipulation is not to be construed, and is not intended, as an admission or suggestion that any valid claim or cause of action exists against [Defendant] or that any valid defense to any such claim or cause of action exists.

- 8. Except as expressly set forth in this stipulation, each of the parties hereto reserves all rights and remedies that it may have against the other.
- 9. The parties intend that this stipulation and Order and the tolling contemplated hereby shall not impair, diminish, or eliminate any jurisdiction of the Bankruptcy Court, to the extent that it has jurisdiction as of the date of execution of this stipulation, to adjudicate any claim, action, or proceeding relating to or arising out of any matter referred to above. In particular, the parties understand, and the Bankruptcy Court by approving this stipulation or form of stipulation finds and determines, that section 546(a) of the Bankruptcy Code constitutes a true statute of limitations which may be tolled by the parties' agreement. The parties nevertheless recognize that there exist dicta in certain reported cases indicating that some courts (which have considered section 546(a) of the Bankruptcy Code to impose a temporal limit on the jurisdiction of the Bankruptcy Court) might hold that section 546(a) could not be tolled by agreement. If a final and non-appealable order of a court of competent jurisdiction determines that (i) the time limitations described in section 546(a) cannot be effectively tolled by agreement and (ii) the Bankruptcy Court therefore cannot adjudicate any such claim, action, or proceeding, then the non-Debtor party to each stipulation (as a new and separate obligation and in consideration of the forbearance provided for hereby) must pay to each Debtor that amount, if any, which the Bankruptcy Court by final order determines would have been the ultimate net liability of the non-Debtor party to such Debtor on any such claim, action, or proceeding if an adversary proceeding on such claim, action, or proceeding had been commenced in Bankruptcy Court on the date this stipulation was executed, but giving full effect to any and all other defenses or counterclaims of any kind or nature that the non-Debtor party could assert in such an adversary proceeding. If the Bankruptcy Court is not competent to make such a determination,

the determination will be made by final and binding arbitration in New York City, New York, and the Debtors and the non-Debtor party hereby irrevocably submit to such binding arbitration before a single arbitrator administered by the American Arbitration Association in accordance with its Commercial Arbitration Rules and, in all disputes regardless of dollar amount at issue, its Procedures For Large, Complex Commercial Disputes (the "AAA Rules") (but only in the event that the Bankruptcy Court is not competent to make the determination as described above) and to entry of judgment upon the arbitration award in the Bankruptcy Court or any court of competent jurisdiction. In addition to the qualifications required by the AAA Rules, the arbitrator must be a lawyer who has practiced bankruptcy law for at least five years, a lawyer on the Register of Mediators maintained by the Clerk of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York, or a former bankruptcy judge.

- 10. This stipulation is deemed to have been jointly drafted by the parties hereto, and, in constructing and interpreting this stipulation, no provision may be construed and interpreted for or against any of the parties because such provision or any other provision of this stipulation, or this stipulation as a whole, was purportedly prepared or requested by that party.
- 11. This stipulation and the rights and obligations of the parties hereunder are governed by, and construed and interpreted in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York and, to the extent applicable, federal bankruptcy law, and any action or proceeding to enforce the rights and obligations of the parties hereunder must originally and exclusively be brought in the Bankruptcy Court.
- 12. This stipulation is effective as of the date it is fully executed and is binding upon, and inures to the benefit of, the successors, representatives, assigns, and heirs of the parties hereto.

- 13. Pursuant to the Order of the Bankruptcy Court in these cases, dated

  August 16, 2007 [Docket # \_\_\_\_], this stipulation is deemed "So Ordered" upon its execution by the parties.
- 14. This stipulation may be executed in counterparts and by facsimile signature, and all executed counterparts and facsimile signatures taken together constitute one document.
- 15. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, the use of the singular of any word includes the plural and the use of the plural includes the singular.

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# **EXHIBIT C**

**Preservation of Estate Claims Procedures Motion** 

Hearing Date And Time: August 16, 2007, At 10:00 A.M. Objection Deadline: August 13, 2007, At 4:00 P.M.

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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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In re : Chapter 11

DELPHI CORPORATION, et al., : Case No. 05-44481 (RDD)

(Jointly Administered)

Debtors.

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EXPEDITED MOTION FOR ORDER UNDER 11 U.S.C. §§ 102(1)(A), 105(a), 107, 108(a)(2), AND 546(a) AND FED. R. BANKR. P. 7004, 9006(c), AND 9018 (i) AUTHORIZING DEBTORS TO ENTER INTO STIPULATIONS TOLLING STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS WITH RESPECT TO CERTAIN CLAIMS, (ii) AUTHORIZING PROCEDURES TO IDENTIFY CAUSES OF ACTION THAT SHOULD BE PRESERVED, AND (iii) ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR CERTAIN ADVERSARY PROCEEDINGS INCLUDING THOSE COMMENCED BY DEBTORS UNDER 11 U.S.C. § 541, 544, 545, 547, 548, OR 553

("PRESERVATION OF ESTATE CLAIMS PROCEDURES MOTION")



Delphi Corporation ("Delphi") and certain of its subsidiaries and affiliates, debtors and debtors-in-possession in the above-captioned cases (collectively, the "Debtors"), submit this expedited motion (the "Motion") for an order (the "Order") under 11 U.S.C. §§ 102(1)(A), 105(a), 107, 108(a)(2), and 546(a) and Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure 7004, 9006(c), and 9018 (i) authorizing the Debtors to enter into stipulations tolling the statute of limitations with respect to certain claims, (ii) authorizing procedures for the Debtors to identify causes of action that should be preserved and granting authority to abandon certain causes of action, and (iii) establishing procedures for certain adversary proceedings, including those commenced by the Debtors under 11 U.S.C. § 541, 544, 545, 547, 548, or 553, and respectfully represent as follows:

# **Background**

## A. The Chapter 11 Filings

- 1. On October 8 and 14, 2005, the Debtors filed voluntary petitions in this Court for reorganization relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101-1330, as then amended (the "Bankruptcy Code"). The Debtors continue to operate their businesses and manage their properties as debtors-in-possession under Bankruptcy Code sections 1107(a) and 1108. The Court has ordered joint administration of these cases.
- 2. No trustee or examiner has been appointed in these cases. On October 17, 2005, the Office of the United States Trustee (the "U.S. Trustee") appointed an official committee of unsecured creditors. On April 28, 2006, the U.S. Trustee appointed an official committee of equity holders (together with the official committee of unsecured creditors, the "Statutory Committees").

- 3. This Court has jurisdiction over this motion pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334. Venue is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409. This matter is a core proceeding under 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2).
- 4. The statutory predicates for the relief requested herein are sections 102(1)(a), 105(a), 107, 108(a)(2), 502(d), 541, 544, 545, 546(a), 547, 548, and 553 of the Bankruptcy Code and Rules 7004, 9006(c), and 9018 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules").

## B. Current Business Operations Of The Debtors

- 5. Delphi and its subsidiaries and affiliates (collectively, the "Company") as of December 31, 2006 had global net sales of \$26.4 billion and global assets of approximately \$15.4 billion.<sup>1</sup> At the time of its chapter 11 filing, Delphi ranked as the fifth largest public company business reorganization in terms of revenues and the thirteenth largest public company business reorganization in terms of assets. Delphi's non-U.S. subsidiaries are not chapter 11 debtors and continue their business operations without supervision from the Bankruptcy Court.<sup>2</sup>
- 6. The Company is a leading global technology innovator with significant engineering resources and technical competencies in a variety of disciplines,

The aggregated financial data used in this Motion generally consists of consolidated information from Delphi and its worldwide subsidiaries and affiliates as disclosed in the Company's Form 10-K filed on February 27, 2007.

On March 20 2007, Delphi Automotive Systems Espana S.L. ("DASE"), whose sole operation is a non-core automotive component plant in Cadiz, Spain, filed a "Concurso" application for a Spanish insolvency proceeding. The application was approved by the Spanish court on April 13, 2007. On July 4, 2007, DASE, its Concurso receivers, and the Cadiz workers councils and unions reached a settlement on a social plan, the funding of which was approved by this Court on July 19, 2007. The Spanish court approved the social plan on July 31, 2007. The Concurso proceeding is consistent with Delphi's transformation plan to optimize its manufacturing footprint and to lower its overall cost structure.

and is one of the largest global suppliers of vehicle electronics, transportation components, integrated systems and modules, and other electronic technology. The Company supplies products to nearly every major global automotive original equipment manufacturer ("OEM").

7. Delphi was incorporated in Delaware in 1998 as a wholly-owned subsidiary of General Motors Corporation ("GM"). Prior to January 1, 1999, GM conducted the Company's business through various divisions and subsidiaries. Effective January 1, 1999, the assets and liabilities of these divisions and subsidiaries were transferred to the Company in accordance with the terms of a Master Separation Agreement between Delphi and GM. In connection with these transactions, Delphi accelerated its evolution from a North American-based, captive automotive supplier to a global supplier of components, integrated systems, and modules for a wide range of customers and applications. Although GM is still the Company's single largest customer, today more than half of Delphi's revenue is generated from non-GM sources.

#### C. Events Leading To The Chapter 11 Filing

8. In the first two years following Delphi's separation from GM, the Company generated approximately \$2 billion in net income. Every year thereafter, however, with the exception of 2002, the Company has suffered losses. In calendar year 2004, the Company reported a net loss of approximately \$4.8 billion on \$28.6 billion in net sales.<sup>3</sup> Reflective of a continued downturn in the marketplace, in 2005 Delphi incurred net

Reported net losses in calendar year 2004 reflect a \$4.1 billion tax charge, primarily related to the recording of a valuation allowance on the U.S. deferred tax assets as of December 31, 2004. The Company's net operating loss in calendar year 2004 was \$482 million.

losses of approximately \$2.4 billion on net sales of \$26.9 billion. Moreover, in 2006, the Debtors incurred a net loss of \$5.5 billion, \$3.0 billion of which comprised charges related to the U.S. employee special attrition programs.

- 9. The Debtors believe that the Company's financial performance has deteriorated because of (i) increasingly unsustainable U.S. legacy liabilities and operational restrictions preventing the Debtors from exiting non-profitable, non-core operations, all of which have the effect of creating largely fixed labor costs, (ii) a competitive U.S. vehicle production environment for domestic OEMs resulting in the reduced number of motor vehicles that GM produces annually in the United States and related pricing pressures, and (iii) increasing commodity prices.
- 10. In light of these factors, the Company determined that it would be imprudent and irresponsible to defer addressing and resolving its U.S. legacy liabilities, product portfolio, operational issues, and forward-looking revenue requirements. Because discussions with its major stakeholders had not progressed sufficiently by the end of the third quarter of 2005, the Company commenced these chapter 11 cases for its U.S. businesses to complete its transformation plan and preserve value for its stakeholders.

#### D. The Debtors' Transformation Plan

11. On March 31, 2006, the Company outlined the key tenets of a transformation plan that it believed would enable it to return to stable, profitable business operations. The Debtors stated that they needed to focus on five key areas:<sup>4</sup> first,

In furtherance of the Debtors' transformation plan, on December 18, 2006, the Debtors announced their execution of an equity purchase and commitment agreement with certain investors, and a plan framework support agreement with those investors and GM. On July 9, 2007, Delphi confirmed that it had formally terminated the equity purchase and commitment agreement and related plan framework

modifying the Company's labor agreements to create a competitive arena in which to conduct business;<sup>5</sup> second, concluding their negotiations with GM to finalize GM's financial support for the Debtors' legacy and labor costs and to ascertain GM's business commitment to the Company;<sup>6</sup> third, streamlining their product portfolio to capitalize on their world-class technology and market strengths and make the necessary manufacturing alignment with their new focus;<sup>7</sup> fourth, transforming their salaried workforce to ensure

support agreement but that it expected to enter into new framework agreements with plan investors presently. Subsequently, on July 18, 2007, Delphi announced that it had accepted a new proposal for an equity purchase and commitment agreement (the "Delphi-Appaloosa EPCA") submitted by a group comprising a number of the original plan investors (affiliates of Appaloosa Management L.P., Harbinger Capital Partners Master Fund I, Ltd., Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Inc., and UBS Securities LLC) as well as, Goldman Sachs & Co. and an affiliate of Pardus Capital Management, L.P. (collectively, the "New Plan Investors"). Under the Delphi-Appaloosa EPCA, the New Plan Investors would invest up to \$2.55 billion in preferred and common equity in the reorganized Delphi to support the Company's transformation plan and plan of reorganization. This Court approved the Delphi-Appaloosa EPCA on August 2, 2007.

- Among the progress made to date, on June 22, 2007, Delphi reached an agreement with the International Union, United Automobile, Aerospace, and Agricultural Implement Workers of America (the "UAW") and GM that (a) modifies, extends, or terminates provisions of the existing collective bargaining agreements among Delphi, the UAW, and its various locals, (b) provides that Delphi and GM will undertake certain financial obligations to Delphi's UAW-represented employees and retirees to facilitate these modifications, and (c) modifies retiree welfare benefits for certain UAW-represented retirees of the Debtors. This agreement, which was approved by this Court on July 19, 2007, should facilitate the Debtors' reaching consensual resolutions of their labor issues with the remaining unions and GM and permit the Debtors to continue to implement their transformation plan and to develop, prosecute, confirm, and consummate a plan of reorganization. As of August 6, 2007, similar agreements have been reached with the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers and its District 10 and Tool and Die Makers Lodge 78, the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and its Local 663, International Union of Electronic, Electrical, Salaried, Machine and Furniture Workers-Communication Workers of America and its local unions, and Locals 832S, 18S, and 101S of the International Union of Operating Engineers. Delphi is currently engaged in settlement discussions with its remaining U.S. labor union and is working to conclude discussions with that union as soon as practicable.
- On July 9, 2007, Delphi confirmed that its discussions with GM on a comprehensive settlement agreement had entered the documentation phase and that it expected that a settlement with GM would be incorporated into the Debtors' plan of reorganization rather than filed with this Court for separate approval.
- In connection with their March 31, 2006 announced transformation plan, the Debtors classified "core" and "non-core" product lines and plants. The Debtors have been working to divest non-core assets so as to maximize the value of the estate for stakeholders. During the 2006 and 2007 calendar years, for example, the Debtors sold substantially all of the assets related to MobileAria, Inc., its chapter 11 affiliate, obtained court approval for the sale of substantially all of the assets of their brake hose and

that the Company's organizational and cost structure is competitive and aligned with its product portfolio and manufacturing footprint<sup>8</sup> and devising a workable solution to their current pension situation.<sup>9</sup>

12. Upon the conclusion of the reorganization process, the Debtors expect to emerge as a stronger, more financially sound business with viable U.S. operations that are well-positioned to advance global enterprise objectives. In the meantime, Delphi will marshal all of its resources to continue to deliver high-quality products to its customers globally. Additionally, the Company will preserve and continue the strategic growth of its non-U.S. operations and maintain its prominence as the world's premier auto supplier.

Saltillo, Mexico brake plant businesses, and obtained court approval of bid procedures related to the upcoming sale of substantially all assets used in their catalyst business. In addition, as announced publicly, the Debtors anticipate selling additional non-core assets, including, without limitation, their steering, interior, and closures businesses.

- As part of this effort, effective July 1, 2006, the Company realigned its business operations to focus its product portfolio on core technologies for which the Company believes it has significant competitive and technological advantages. The Company's revised operating structure consists of its four core business segments: Electronics and Safety, Thermal Systems, Powertrain Systems, and Electrical/Electronic Architecture. The Company also has two additional segments, Steering and Automotive Holdings Group, which will be transitioned as part of the Company's transformation plan. The Debtors also made significant progress in ensuring that their organizational and cost structure is competitive in obtaining the entry of this Court's Order Under 11 U.S.C. § 363(b) And Fed. R. Bankr. P. 6004 Authorizing Debtors To Enter Into Finance Outsourcing Agreement on April 23, 2007 (Docket No. 7773) (the "Finance Outsourcing Order"). The Finance Outsourcing Order authorized the Debtors to outsource certain of the Debtors' accounts receivable, accounts payable, fixed assets, travel and expense reporting, general ledger, and contract administration processes and significantly reduce SG&A expenses as part of their transformation plan.
- To that end, on May 31, 2007, the Bankruptcy Court granted the Debtors' motion for authority to perform under the terms of those certain September 30, 2006 plan year funding waivers, which were approved by the IRS, for both the Delphi Hourly-Rate Employees Plan and the Delphi Retirement Program for Salaried Employees (collectively, the "Plans"). On July 13, 2007, the IRS modified the conditional funding waivers granted to Delphi related to the Plans, extending the dates by which Delphi is required to file a plan of reorganization and emerge from chapter 11 to December 31, 2007 and February 28, 2008, respectively.

## E. Revised Plan Framework Agreements And Preserving Estate Causes Of Action

- 13. The Debtors have made significant progress toward confirming a plan of reorganization: they have obtained the support of their Statutory Committees for and Court approval of the Delphi-Appaloosa EPCA, they have negotiated agreements with five of their six U.S. labor unions, they are engaged in the documentation phase for a comprehensive settlement agreement with GM, and they have scheduled a hearing in October 2007 to seek approval of their proposed disclosure statement and of solicitation procedures for a reorganization plan. The Delphi-Appaloosa EPCA approved by this Court on August 2, 2007 details the New Plan Investors' commitment to invest in the reorganized Delphi and attaches a proposed framework for a reorganization plan pursuant to which the Debtors expect to emerge from chapter 11 by the end of the year. The proposed treatment of claims under this reorganization plan would generally provide that all claims be paid or satisfied in full through distributions of cash, common stock, or both. Accordingly, avoiding preferential transfers would provide no benefit to the Debtors' estates because any party returning such a transfer would be entitled to a claim for the same amount, to be paid in full under such a plan. For the same reasons, avoiding statutory liens or prepetition setoffs would provide little to no benefit to the estates. As a result, the Debtors contemplate that their reorganization plan will waive or release most if not all avoidance causes of action.
- 14. At present, the Debtors estimate that they may have more than 11,000 potential preference claims arising from transfers totaling approximately \$5.8 billion (before taking into account potential defenses such as transfers made in the ordinary course of business). The constructively fraudulent transfer reach-back period, made

applicable by Bankruptcy Code section 544(b) and state law, is generally six years under the law of Michigan and New York. Thus, with a company of Delphi's size, there are literally hundreds of thousands of transactions that occurred during these constructively fraudulent transfer reach-back periods. Under the Bankruptcy Code, each Debtor has until two years after the entry of the order for relief to commence adversary proceedings asserting avoidance causes of action, as well as certain causes of action where the applicable statute of limitations has been tolled by the Bankruptcy Code during the initial two years of these chapter 11 cases.

light of their anticipated reorganization, as a precautionary measure they must preserve these actions in some manner. The Debtors have explored various alternatives to filing avoidance actions before the two-year deadline, such as executing tolling agreements with potential defendants. The logistical challenges of circulating and executing agreements with such a large number of potential defendants, however, make that solution impractical. The Debtors, therefore, must timely commence these actions or take other action in the coming months or risk losing forever potential causes of action that should be preserved.<sup>11</sup>

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By examining transactions during this reach-back period to identify potential fraudulent transfer claims that should be preserved, the Debtors do not concede that they were insolvent, undercapitalized, or unable to pay their debts as they became due at any time during the reach-back period.

As noted above, Delphi has been in discussions with GM on a comprehensive settlement agreement that they anticipate incorporating into the Debtors' reorganization plan. Because of GM's unique role in these cases, in addition to filing a sealed complaint governed by the procedures sought in this Motion, the Debtors request leave for the Debtors and GM to file, under seal, a stipulation that contains tolling provisions, consistent with this Motion, and other agreements of the parties with respect to the sealed complaint involving GM, which stipulation shall be deemed "so ordered" and shall be sealed in accordance with the terms of the order sought herein.

16. Once these actions have been commenced, the Debtors will proceed no further and will not use them for any purpose while they focus on confirming a reorganization plan. The procedures proposed in this Motion are designed to permit the Debtors to preserve these claims while otherwise maintaining the status quo among all parties in interest. The causes of action would remain dormant and become relevant again only in the unlikely event that the Debtors do not timely emerge from chapter 11.

## Relief Requested

17. As set forth in the proposed order attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u>, the Debtors seek to implement procedures applicable to Adversary Proceedings that will permit all parties to preserve the status quo as the Debtors are finalizing preparations for confirming a reorganization plan by year's end. By this Motion, the Debtors seek the following relief:

#### Tolling Agreement

- Approval Of Form. The Debtors seek court approval of a form of stipulation (attached as Exhibit B) which would, without further order of this Court, toll the applicable statute of limitations on claims against parties with whom the Debtors seek to enter into such stipulations.
- Intercompany Tolling. The Debtors also seek to have this Court "deem" all Debtors to have entered into a stipulation with each of the other Debtors and affiliated non-Debtor entities.

#### Approval Of Avoidance Evaluation Procedures And Authority To Abandon Claims

• Preference Claims Below \$250,000 In Value. The Debtors request authority to abandon these preference actions. To the extent that these actions are against insiders or involve persons or transactions associated with the SEC investigation of the Debtors, the Debtors also will be authorized to abandon those actions after notice to the Statutory Committees. If a Statutory Committee objects within 10 days after service of the notice, the Debtors may bring the matter before this Court for a ruling on whether the proposed abandonment satisfies section 554(a) of the Bankruptcy Code.

- Select Categories Of Preference Claims. The Debtors seek authority to abandon the following categories of preference actions: (i) payments to parties with a secured or priority interest in such payment, (ii) union dues, (iii) pension plan contributions, (iv) payments required under the terms of collective bargaining agreements, (v) payments to reimburse employee business expenses, (vi) ordinary course wages, salaries, and benefits to employees, (vii) payments required by a garnishment to satisfy third-party judgments and obligations, (viii) contributions to charitable organizations, (ix) payments to foreign suppliers, (x) payments to the Debtors' shippers, (xi) payments to the Debtors' insurance providers, and (xii) payments to the Debtors' utilities.
- Scope Of Fraudulent Transfer Review. The Debtors seek entry of an order directing that, for purposes of identifying and preserving potential fraudulent transfer claims, the Debtors need only review the following categories of transactions: merger and acquisition deals at or exceeding \$20 million, transfers to Delphi's board of directors or strategy board members other than for compensation or ordinary-course expense reimbursement (if any), unusual securities transactions, dividend distributions to 5% shareholders, and Delphi's financially troubled supplier program.
- Additional Authority For Abandonment After Notice To Statutory
  Committees. The Debtors seek authority to abandon, after notice to the
  Statutory Committees, and without further order of this Court or further
  notice under Bankruptcy Rule 6007, claims (i) with insignificant value,
  (ii) where litigation costs would likely exceed expected recovery, (ii) where
  the potential harm to businesses outweighs expected recovery, or (iv) where
  valid defenses exist. If a Statutory Committee objects within 10 days after
  service of the notice, the Debtors may bring the matter before this Court for
  a ruling on whether the proposed abandonment satisfies section 554(a) of
  the Bankruptcy Code.

#### Commencement Of The Adversary Proceedings And Service Of Process

- Deferral Of Issuance Of Summons. The Clerk of Court would be directed by this Court to defer issuing a summons after the filing of a complaint, unless and until the Debtors intend to pursue the claims in the complaint.
- Extension Of Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m) Time Period. The Debtors would have until March 31, 2008 to serve each defendant with a summons and a copy of the complaint, without prejudice to the Debtors' right to seek further extensions of the deadline

• Service Of Order With Summons And Complaint. The Debtors would be required to serve a copy of any order approving this Motion upon each defendant in any adversary proceeding either if and when the Debtors serve process on the defendant or as soon thereafter as practicable.

# Stay Of Adversary Proceedings Until Service Of Process And Interim Sealing

- Activity During The Stay. During the stay, the Debtors may (i) amend their complaint, and (ii) after notice to the Statutory Committees, dismiss it.
- Expiration Of The Stay. The stay would continue until the earlier of (i) service of process and (ii) further order of this Court.
- Filing Of The Complaints Under Interim Seal. The Debtors seek authority to file under seal paper copies (with PDF copies on appropriate electronic media) of the complaints in the adversary proceedings and to have the docket for such proceedings likewise sealed.

#### Basis For Relief

Would help enable the Debtors fulfill their fiduciary responsibility to preserve valuable estate assets in a manner that would not unnecessarily disrupt the plan process or the Debtors' existing business relationships with potential defendants that are necessary to the Debtors' ongoing operations. These procedures would also reduce the administrative and economic burdens of the Adversary Proceedings on the Debtors, this Court, and potential defendants. Most if not all of the avoidance actions will likely remain unnecessary in light of the terms of the Debtors' prospective reorganization plan.

# F. Approval Of Form Of Tolling Agreements

19. The Debtors desire to preserve their respective rights and to continue negotiation and settlement discussions with certain parties without incurring the expense of filing complaints before the expiration of the applicable statute of limitations

period. The Debtors anticipate entering into stipulations with, among others, (i) GM, (ii) professional firms retained by the Debtors, and (iii) insiders who received transfers from the Debtors.

- 20. Assuming that a potential defendant is willing to enter into a stipulation extending the statute of limitations, the Debtors request authorization to enter into such a stipulation, substantially in the form attached as <u>Exhibit B</u>. The principal terms of the stipulation would be as follows:
  - Statute Of Limitations: Execution of the stipulation would toll the statute of limitations provided for under sections 108 and 546(a) of the Bankruptcy Code and other applicable law.
  - *Term*: The applicable statute of limitations would be extended up to and including the first business day that is nine months following the entry of an order confirming a plan, as the same may have been amended or modified before its entry (the "Tolling Period").
  - *Binding Effect*: The stipulation would bind and inure to the benefit of the successors, representatives, assigns, and heirs of the parties.
  - *Termination*: The Debtors or their respective successors and assigns would be permitted during the Tolling Period to commence litigation against (a) other Debtors, (b) affiliated non-Debtor entities, and (c) third parties.
  - Effective Date: The stipulation would become effective immediately upon execution thereof.
  - *Prior Court Approval*: The stipulation would be deemed "so ordered" upon execution.
- 21. Allowing the Debtors to enter into the stipulations tolling the applicable statute of limitations with respect to the claims would be the most efficient and cost-effective means of preventing unnecessary motion practice and litigation and preserving the Debtors' and potential defendants' respective legal rights without allowing

the applicable statute of limitations period to expire and without acknowledging in any way that valid claims, causes of action, or defenses thereto do or do not exist.

- 22. In view of the number of potential claims and causes of action that the Debtors must preserve, obtaining Court approval for each tolling stipulation would result in burdensome administrative expenses such as the time and cost of drafting, serving, and filing separate approval pleadings and the time incurred by attorneys in preparing for, and appearing at, related hearings before this Court. Accordingly, the Debtors request authority to enter into stipulations tolling the statute of limitations with respect to the claims without seeking further Court approval.
- 23. Likewise, requiring each of the 42 Debtors in these chapter 11 cases to enter into individual stipulations with each of the other Debtors would require the Debtors to execute more than 1,500 stipulations. Execution of stipulations between the Debtors and affiliated non-Debtor entities would add hundreds more. Obviously, such actions and the costs and expenses associated therewith are unnecessarily burdensome and time-consuming in light of the related nature of the claims. Accordingly, the Debtors also seek an order that "deems" them to have entered into a stipulation with each of the other Debtors and affiliated non-Debtor entities.
- G. <u>Approval Of Avoidance Evaluation Procedures And Authority To Abandon Certain Causes Of Action</u>
- 24. The Debtors request approval of their proposed criteria for reviewing, evaluating, and selecting those potential causes of action that should be preserved in accordance with the procedures discussed herein. These criteria strike a sensible balance between the Debtors' duty to preserve valuable estate assets and the

extraordinary costs to preserve then when, as here, there is little chance that the Debtors will prosecute any of the thousands of actions it will be commencing.

## Preference Claims Below \$250,000 In Value

25. In particular, the Debtors seek authority not to pursue any preference action against an entity if the aggregate value of transfers to or for the benefit of that entity is less than \$250,000 in value. Although this threshold would eliminate 9,894 of 11,544 potential preference recoveries, the aggregate amount eliminated would be merely 4.5% of the billions in total potential preferential transfers (before taking into account potential preference defenses). By focusing on the 1,650 entities which benefited from transfers of \$250,000 or more, the Debtors would preserve billions in potential claims (before defenses are considered) while saving the estates from incurring significant legal and other costs and avoiding any disruption to commercial relationships and the Debtors' efforts to emerge from chapter 11. If the preference action is against an insider or involves a person or transaction associated with the SEC investigation of the Debtors, then the Debtors would be authorized to abandon such actions after notice to the Statutory Committees. If a Statutory Committee objects within 10 days after service of the notice, the Debtors propose that they would bring the matter before this Court for a ruling on whether the proposed abandonment satisfies section 554(a) of the Bankruptcy Code.

#### Select Categories Of Preference Claims

26. In addition, the Debtors seek authority to abandon the following categories of potential preference actions which the Debtors, in their business judgment, have decided should not be pursued: (i) payments to parties with a secured or priority

interest in such payment, (ii) union dues, (iii) pension plan contributions, (iv) payments required under the terms of collective bargaining agreements, (v) payments to reimburse employee business expenses, (vi) ordinary course wages, salaries, and benefits to employees, (vii) payments required by a garnishment to satisfy third-party judgments and obligations, (viii) contributions to charitable organizations, (ix) payments to foreign suppliers, (x) payments to the Debtors' shippers, (xi) payments to the Debtors' insurance providers, and (xii) payments to the Debtors' utilities.

## Scope Of Fraudulent Transfer Review

- 27. As noted above, potential fraudulent transfer claims are likely subject to a six-year reach-back period during which the Debtors engaged in hundreds of thousands of transactions, the vast majority of which indisputably involved the Debtors' receipt of reasonably equivalent value or involved amounts that do not warrant the mammoth undertaking of examining each and every transaction. To balance the need for a review of transactions effected during the reach-back period and avoiding unnecessary costs, the Debtors propose to identify and review all business or asset acquisition or divestiture transactions that equal or exceed \$20 million in value. This would include a review of whether the Debtors followed their own internal procedures for the transaction and, as necessary, interviews with managers to follow up on any issues identified during the review process.
- 28. The Debtors also would review (i) certain transfers to insiders, including payments or indemnifications to current and former members of the Delphi Board of Directors and of the Delphi Strategy Board other than for compensation or

ordinary-course expense reimbursement (if any), (ii) large or unusual securities transactions (if any) such as large capitalizations or recapitalizations, derivatives, foreign currency, hedging transactions, or commercial paper transactions, (iii) all dividend distributions to 5% shareholders, and (iv) the financially troubled supplier program. As discussed below, the Debtors would enter into tolling agreements for all intercompany transactions that involve a Debtor or insiders of a Debtor.

29. The Debtors request authority to abandon the causes of action described above in accordance with the proposed procedures, without the need for any further order or any further notice under Bankruptcy Rule 6007(a).

#### Additional Authority To Abandon

- 30. With respect to other categories of causes of action, the Debtors anticipate that during their review they may identify additional causes of action which, in the exercise of their reasonable business judgment, should not be pursued. The Debtors seek approval for the abandonment of those causes of action which the Debtors determine, upon completion of their review and after notice to counsel to the Statutory Committees, (i) are of insignificant value to the estates, (ii) would impose costs in excess of the value of any reasonably expected recovery, (iii) could pose other potential harm to the Debtors' businesses that would outweigh the expected recovery value, or (iv) with respect to which the Debtors believe the defendants would have valid defenses.
- 31. If a Statutory Committee objects within 10 days after service of the notice, the Debtors may bring the matter before this Court for a ruling on whether the proposed abandonment satisfies section 554(a) of the Bankruptcy Code.

# Preservation Of The Debtors' Rights Under 11 U.S.C. § 502(d)

32. Although the Debtors are proposing to abandon certain avoidance causes of action, the Debtors have decided to abandon them based, in part, on their determination that they will have a right to use the avoidance claim liability to seek the disallowance of claims asserted against the estates, as permitted by section 502(d) of the Bankruptcy Code. Under that section, the Debtors may seek to preclude a creditor subject to an avoidance cause of action from asserting a claim against the estate as long as the creditor remains in possession of, or otherwise obtains the benefit of, the avoidable claim or transfer.<sup>12</sup>

# H. <u>Extending Time For Service Of Process</u>

Rule 7004(a)(1), requires this Court either to dismiss without prejudice any adversary proceeding for which the summons and complaint are not served on the defendant within 120 days of the filing of the complaint or direct that service be effected within a specified time, unless the plaintiff in the adversary proceeding can show good cause for extending the 120-day period. The Debtors request an extension of the time within which the Debtors must serve the summonses and complaints to March 31, 2008<sup>13</sup>—less than 60 days beyond the initial 120-day deadline. The Debtors seek the extension to preserve the status

In light of an appellate ruling from this district, <u>United States Lines, Inc. v. U.S.</u> (In re McLean Indus.), 196 B.R. 670, 675-77 (S.D.N.Y. 1996) (Cote, J.), <u>aff'g</u> 184 B.R. 10 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 1995) (Blackshear, J.), and this Court's prior ruling, <u>In re Metiom, Inc.</u>, 301 B.R. 634, 641 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2003), that section 502(d) may continue to be used defensively after an action on the underlying avoidance action has become time-barred, the Debtors have concluded that no affirmative relief with respect to this Motion is required to preserve the Debtors' ability to use section 502(d) defensively. The Debtors expressly reserve all rights with respect to section 502(d).

March 31, 2008 is the current deadline for closing under the Delphi-Appaloosa EPCA. <u>See</u> Section 12(d)(iii).

quo and to avoid having to force all potential defendants to retain counsel to defend against adversary proceedings when, in fact, most of them likely will be resolved by a reorganization plan and never pursued. The Debtors propose the following procedures concerning the commencement of the Adversary Proceedings and service of process:

- Deferral Of Issuance Of Summons. The Clerk of Court would be directed
  by this Court to defer issuing a summons after the filing of a complaint filed
  in accordance with these procedures, unless and until the Debtors notify the
  Clerk of Court that they intend to litigate the claims alleged in the
  complaint.
- Extension Of Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m) Time Period. The Debtors would have until March 31, 2008 to serve each defendant with a summons and a copy of the complaint, without prejudice to the Debtors' right to seek further extensions of the deadline.
- Service Of Order With Summons And Complaint. The Debtors would be required to serve a copy of any order approving this Motion upon each defendant in any Adversary Proceeding either when the Debtors serve the summons and complaint on the defendant or as soon thereafter as practicable.
- 34. These procedures would permit the Debtors to preserve potentially valuable assets without disrupting the plan process or existing business relationships prematurely or prejudicing the rights of any defendants.

## I. Stay Of Adversary Proceedings Until Service Of Process

35. For the same reasons that the Debtors seek an extension of their time to serve potential defendants with process, the Debtors also request that the Adversary Proceedings filed pursuant to the proposed procedures be temporarily stayed, without prejudice to the Debtors' right to amend their complaints during the stay. Under the proposed procedures, the Debtors also would be authorized to file, without further order of this Court, a notice of dismissal of the Adversary Action in accordance with Bankruptcy

Rule 7041 and Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(a) if it is decided that the Adversary Action should not be pursued after notice to the Statutory Committees or as otherwise provided in a plan of reorganization or confirmation order. If a Statutory Committee objects within 10 days after service of the notice, the Debtors request that they be permitted to bring the matter before this Court for a ruling on whether the proposed dismissal satisfies section 554(a) of the Bankruptcy Code. The stay would be lifted upon the Debtors' service of the summons and complaint, without further order of this Court.

# J. Filing Of The Complaints Under Seal

- 36. Maintaining the status quo would also be promoted by permitting the filing of the complaints under seal. Once filed, the actions would remain dormant. The Debtors do not intend to prosecute the actions while pursuing plan confirmation. Sealing the complaints will keep the actions inactive and would be consistent with the Debtors' intention to de-link the sealed adversary proceedings from all other activity in these chapter 11 cases and to prevent their use for any purpose by any party. Thus, sealing should promote the plan process and avoid needless costs relating to actions that remain unnecessary under the Debtors' prospective plan.
- 37. Moreover, sealing the actions would avoid unnecessarily alarming potential defendants. The Debtors have worked to preserve and repair their business relationship with many of the potential defendants during these cases and have negotiated or regained favorable credit terms with many suppliers and are continuing to do so. The Debtors are also engaged in negotiations with some of the potential defendants on issues unrelated to avoidance actions.

38. To enable the Debtors to preserve these potential causes of action, yet allow the Debtors to continue to implement their transformation plan and to promptly develop, negotiate, prosecute, confirm, and consummate a plan of reorganization, the Debtors seek authorization to file under seal paper copies (along with discs containing complaints in PDF format) of the complaints filed in each Adversary Proceeding against the potential defendants under seal. The Debtors also request that the case docket for any adversary proceedings initiated by the complaints likewise be sealed and not available for public access. The Debtors will coordinate with the Clerk to ensure an efficient, cost-effective approach to filing under seal the numerous actions contemplated by this Motion.

# Applicable Authority

39. This Court has broad statutory authority to approve the relief requested in this Motion. The Court may "issue any order, process or judgment that is necessary or appropriate to carry out the provisions of" the Bankruptcy Code. 11 U.S.C. § 105(a). Under section 105(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, this Court has expansive equitable powers to fashion any order or decree that is in the interest of preserving or protecting the value of the debtor's assets. See Schwartz v. Aquatic Dev. Group, Inc. (In re Aquatic Dev. Group, Inc.), 352 F.3d 671, 673 (2d Cir. 2003) (Straub, J., concurring) (quoting In re Momentum Mfg. Corp., 25 F.3d 1132, 1136 (2d Cir. 1994) ("[I]t is axiomatic that bankruptcy courts are 'courts of equity, empowered to invoke equitable principles to achieve fairness and justice in the reorganization process."); Bird v. Crown Convenience (In re NWFX, Inc.), 864 F.2d 588, 590 (8th Cir. 1988) ("The overriding consideration in bankruptcy . . . is that equitable principles govern.") (citations omitted); In

re Cooper Properties Liquidating Trust, Inc., 61 B.R. 531, 537 (Bankr. W.D. Tenn. 1986) ("[T]he Bankruptcy Court is one of equity and as such it has a duty to protect whatever equities a debtor may have in property for the benefit of its creditors as long as that protection is implemented in a manner consistent with the bankruptcy laws."). Likewise, this Court has "exclusive jurisdiction of all the property, wherever located, of the debtor as of the commencement of [its] case, and of property of the estate," 28 U.S.C. § 1334(e), and causes of action generally constitute property of a debtor's estate. See, e.g., Citicorp

Acceptance Co. v. Robison (In re Sweetwater), 884 F.2d 1323, 1326 (10th Cir. 1989).

# K. <u>Approval Of Form Of Tolling Agreements</u>

extended by agreement of the non-debtor party to the action. See In re Rodriguez, 283

B.R. 112, 114 (Bankr. E.D.N.Y. 2001); Pugh v. Brook (In re Pugh), 158 F.3d 530, 532-38

(11th Cir. 1998); McFarland v. Leyh (In re Tex. Gen. Petroleum Corp.), 52 F.3d 1330,

1337-38 (5th Cir. 1995); Brandt v. Gelardi (In re Shape, Inc.), 138 B.R. 334, 337 (Bankr.

D. Me. 1992) (plain reading of statute and legislative history support determination that section 546(a) is statute of limitations, waivable either by stipulation or failure to assert it as defense in answer, rather than jurisdictional provision, which is not subject to expansion by court order or otherwise); In re Iron-Oak Supply Corp., 162 B.R. 301, 307 (Bankr. E.D. Cal. 1993) (rejecting argument that section 546(a)(1) is statute of repose); In re M & L.

Bus. Machs. Inc., 153 B.R. 308, 311 (D. Colo. 1993) aff'd, 160 B.R. 850 (D. Colo. 1993) (section 546 limitations period is not jurisdictional but is waivable and subject to equitable tolling); see also Cepa Consulting Ltd. v. New York Nat'l Bank (In re Wedtech), 187 B.R.

105, 110-11 (S.D.N.Y. 1995) (treating section 546(a) as a non-jurisdictional statute of

limitation that must be raised by opposing party in a timely fashion). But see Martin v. First Nat'l Bank of Louisville (In re Butcher), 829 F.2d 596, 599-600 (6th Cir. 1987) (characterizing section 546(a) as "jurisdictional" or "substantive" statute of limitations, not subject to expansion by Bankruptcy Rule 9006(a) requiring that Saturday and Sunday be excluded in computing two-year limitations period). The Debtors should therefore be authorized to enter into stipulations tolling all applicable statutes of limitations.

- L. <u>Approval Of Avoidance Evaluation Procedures And Authority To Abandon Certain Causes Of Action</u>
- 41. The Bankruptcy Code expressly authorizes a debtor to abandon property of the estate that it determines is burdensome or of inconsequential value.

  11 U.S.C. § 554. Specifically, section 554 of the Bankruptcy Code provides: "After notice and a hearing, the trustee may abandon any property of the estate that is burdensome to the estate or that is of inconsequential value and benefit to the estate." 11 U.S.C. § 554(a). In determining the value and benefits of particular property for purposes of the decision to abandon the property, the debtor is afforded significant discretion. See, e.g., In re

  Interpictures, Inc., 168 B.R. 526, 535 (Bankr. E.D.N.Y. 1994) ("courts have placed the burden of proving an abuse of discretion of the trustee's action or inaction on abandonment on the party seeking to make the trustee act"); In re Slack, 290 B.R. 282, 284 (Bankr. D.N.J. 2003) ("Courts defer to the trustee's judgment and place the burden on the party opposing the abandonment to prove a benefit to the estate and an abuse of the trustee's discretion."); In re Cult Awareness Network, Inc., 205 B.R. 575, 579 (Bankr. N.D. Ill. 1997) (decision to abandon property "must rest on a reasonable basis"). This Court need

only ensure that the decision to abandon "reflects a business judgment made in good faith."

Cult Awareness Network, 205 B.R. at 579.<sup>14</sup>

42. Notwithstanding abandonment, the failure to file a complaint by the two-year deadline set forth in section 546(a) of the Bankruptcy Code does not prevent the Debtors from later using section 502(d) defensively. Section 502(d) provides, in pertinent part, as follows:

the court shall disallow any claim of any entity from which property is recoverable under section 542, 543, 550, or 553 of this title or that is a transferee of a transfer avoidable under section 522(f), 522(h), 544, 545, 547, 548, 549, or 724(a) of this title, unless such entity or transferee has paid the amount, or turned over any such property, for which such entity or transferee is liable under section 522(i), 542, 543, 550, or 553 of this title.

11 U.S.C. § 502(d).

any and all claims asserted by creditors who are in receipt of avoidable transfers, unless the creditor first repays the amount of the avoidable transfer to the debtor's estate. See, e.g., Glinka v. Murad (In re Housecraft Indus. USA, Inc.), 310 F.3d 64, 72 n.8 (2d Cir. 2002); Germain v. Conn. Nat'l Bank, 988 F.2d 1323, 1327 (2d Cir. 1993); In re Centennial Textiles, Inc., 209 B.R. 31, 33 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 1997). Further, this Court, as well as other courts in the Southern District of New York and elsewhere, has specifically held that the section 502(d) defense may be asserted after the expiration of the two-year statute of limitations set forth in section 546(a)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code. See In re Metiom, Inc.,

Similar relief was granted in <u>In re Safety-Kleen Corp.</u>, No. 00-2303 (PJW) (Bankr. D. Del. May 17, 2002. <u>See</u> Order (I) Establishing Omnibus Filing And Pretrial Procedures For Certain Adversary Proceedings, Including Adversary Proceedings Under 11 U.S.C. § 544, 545, 547, 548 Or 550, And (II) Granting Authority To Abandon Certain Causes Of Action,) (Docket No. 4108).

301 B.R. 634, 641 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2003) (Drain, J.); see also United States Lines, Inc. v. U.S. (In re McLean Indus.), 196 B.R. 670, 675-77 (S.D.N.Y. 1996) (Cote, J.); In re Asia Global Crossing, Ltd., 344 B.R. 247, 251 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2006) (Bernstein, J.); In re Mid Atl. Fund, Inc., 60 B.R. 604, 609-11 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 1986) (Abram, J.); El Paso City v. Am. W. Airlines, Inc. (In re Am. West Airlines, Inc.), 217 F.3d 1161, 1167 (9th Cir. 2000); cf. Comm. of Unsecured Creditors v. Commodity Credit Corp. (In re KF Dairies, Inc.), 143 B.R. 734, 736-38 (B.A.P. 9th Cir. 1992) (permitting section 502(d) defense after expiration of section 549 statute of limitations). But see In re Marketing Assocs. of Am., 122 B.R. 367, 369 (Bankr. E.D. Mo. 1991) (holding that "the Trustee may not use section 502(d) defensively").

44. Here, the Debtors have proposed reasonable criteria and procedures for determining which avoidance claims should be preserved and which causes of action the Debtors should be authorized to abandon. Accordingly, the Debtors seek approval of these procedures.<sup>15</sup>

# M. Extending Time For Service Of Process

45. The Bankruptcy Rules and Federal Rules of Civil Procedure grant this Court discretion to adopt and implement guidelines, such as those proposed herein, that will aid in the administration of adversary proceedings. Bankruptcy Rule 9006(b)(1)

Similar relief was granted in In re Service Merchandise, et al., Case No. 399-02649 (Bankr. M.D. Tenn. Mar. 21, 2001) (Paine, J.), where the bankruptcy court authorized the debtors to abandon claims against critical vendors. See Order Authorizing Abandonment And/Or Stay Of Certain Estate Causes Of Action And For Related Relief. The bankruptcy court also authorized the debtors to abandon four categories of claims: (i) claims less than \$5,000, (ii) payments of rent to landlords, (iii) customer refunds, and (iv) ordinary course reimbursements to employees. See Order (i) Establishing Omnibus Initial Filing And Pretrial Procedures For Adversary Proceedings Under 11 U.S.C § 544, 545, 547, 548, Or 553 And Certain Adversary Proceedings, (ii) Granting Authority, Pursuant to Fed. Bankr. R. P. 9019, To Compromise And Settle Such Actions, And (iii) Granting Authority To Abandon Certain De Minimis Claims And Causes Of Action dated February 27, 2001.

provides for the enlargement of time to perform acts required under the Bankruptcy Rules. <sup>16</sup> As previously discussed, Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m) requires the court to extend the period for service of process after the filing of a complaint upon a showing of good cause. Even absent good cause, this Court has discretion to extend the 120-day service period. Mejia v. Castle Hotel, Inc., 164 F.R.D. 343, 345 (S.D.N.Y. 1996).

46. Here, the Debtors request an extension to March 31, 2008, an extension of less than 60 days. By permitting the Debtors to timely file the Adversary Proceedings but to defer serving process on defendants, the procedures would enable the Debtors to preserve valuable business relationships and to continue developing a plan of reorganization. The Debtors submit that permitting the Debtors to preserve potentially valuable assets without prejudicing the rights of any defendant constitutes good cause for the requested extension.<sup>17</sup>

## N. <u>Stay Of Adversary Proceedings Until Service Of Process</u>

47. "[T]he power to stay proceedings is incidental to the power inherent in every court to control the disposition of the causes on its docket with economy of time and effort for itself, for counsel, and for litigants." <u>Landis v. North American Co.</u>, 299 U.S. 248, 254 (1936); <u>see also Air Line Pilots Ass'n v. Miller</u>, 523 U.S. 866, 879 n.6 (1998). This inherent power is vested in bankruptcy courts as well. <u>See Uni-Rty Corp. v.</u>

Bankruptcy Rule 9006(b)(1) provides in relevant part as follows: "[W]hen an act is required or allowed to be done at or within a specified period by these rules or by a notice given thereunder or by order of court, the court for cause shown may at any time in its discretion . . . order the period enlarged if the request therefor is made before the expiration of the period originally prescribed or as extended by a previous order . . . ." Fed. R. Bankr. P. 9006(b)(1).

Similar relief was granted in <u>In re Ames Dep't Stores, Inc.</u>, No. 01-42217 (REG) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Feb. 3, 2004). <u>See</u> Order Extending Time For Service Of Process With Respect To Certain Preference Actions (Docket No. 2524).

Guangdong Building, Inc. (In re Uni-Rty Corp.), No. 96 Civ. 4573 (DAB), 1998 WL 299941, at \*7 (S.D.N.Y. 1998) (recognizing that bankruptcy courts possess inherent authority to stay proceedings); In re Hagerstown Fiber Ltd. P'ship, 277 B.R. 181, 199 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2002) (court has inherent power to stay proceedings before it, particularly where stay will promote judicial economy); In re Cleveland, 353 B.R. 254, 260 (Bankr. E.D. Cal. 2006) (staying adversary proceeding pursuant to court's inherent power to stay proceedings before it); Swift v. Bellucci (In re Bellucci), 119 B.R. 763, 770 (Bankr. E.D. Cal. 1990) ("a bankruptcy court has the inherent power to control its docket. including controlling the timing of proceedings on that docket"). The determination whether a stay of proceedings is appropriate "calls for the exercise of judgment, which must weigh competing interests and maintain an even balance." Landis, 299 U.S. at 248, 254-55. The party seeking the stay "bears the burden of demonstrating the wisdom and justice of a stay." John's Insulation, Inc. v. Siska Const. Co., Inc., 671 F. Supp. 289, 297 (S.D.N.Y. 1987). "[T]he basic goal [is] to avoid prejudice." Volmar Distributors v. New York Post Co., 152 F.R.D. 36, 39 (S.D.N.Y. 1993). 18

48. Here, for essentially the same reasons that the Debtors have articulated for deferring issuance of summonses and service of legal process, this Court should likewise stay the proceedings while the Debtors pursue plan confirmation. The stay will not prejudice the potential defendants. In fact, the potential defendants will benefit from the stay inasmuch as they will not need to expend time or resources investigating the

The <u>Volmar</u> court articulated the following factors that may guide a court's exercise of its inherent power: "(1) the private interests of the plaintiffs in proceeding expeditiously with the civil litigation as balanced against the prejudice to the plaintiffs if delayed; (2) the private interests of and burden on the defendants; (3) the interests of the courts; (4) the interests of persons not parties to the civil litigation; and (5) the public interest." Id. at 39.

facts relating to, or defending, a lawsuit that the Debtors likely will never need to pursue.

Under these circumstances, this Court should stay each proceeding unless and until the

Debtors request the Clerk of Court to issue summons in that particular proceeding.<sup>19</sup>

## O. Filing Of The Complaints Under Seal

- 49. Section 107 of the Bankruptcy Code provides bankruptcy courts with the power to issue orders that will protect entities from potential harm that may result from the disclosure of certain confidential information. Section 107(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code specifically provides in part as follows: "On request of a party in interest, the bankruptcy court shall . . . protect an entity with respect to a trade secret or confidential research, development, or commercial information . . . ." 11 U.S.C. § 107(b)(1).
- Code and Rule 9018 of the Bankruptcy Rules do "not require that commercial information be the equivalent of a trade secret before protecting such information." Video Software

  Dealers Ass'n v. Orion Pictures Corp. (In re Orion Pictures Corp.), 21 F.3d 24, 28 (2d Cir. 1994). Indeed, other courts in this district have stated that it "is required to grant that relief upon the motion of a party in interest, assuming the information is of the type listed in section 107(b)." In re Global Crossing Ltd., 295 B.R. 720, 723 n.7 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2003) (citing Video Software, 21 F.3d at 27). In addition, the Second Circuit has held that a party seeking the sealing of information is required only to show that the information is confidential and commercial, and no showing of "good cause" is necessary. See Video

Similar relief was granted in <u>In re Service Merchandise</u>, Case No. 399-02649 (Bankr. M.D. Tenn. Mar. 21, 2001), where the bankruptcy court granted the debtors authority to stay certain adversary proceedings while the debtors were continuing to investigate whether they would ultimately pursue them. <u>See</u> Order Authorizing Abandonment And/Or Stay Of Certain Estate Causes Of Action And For Related Relief.

- <u>Software</u>, 21 F.3d at 28. Thus, a bankruptcy court may enter a sealing order under the broad confidentiality protections in bankruptcy proceedings where necessary to protect confidential information. <u>Id.</u>; <u>see also Global Crossing</u>, 295 B.R. at 725 (The "whole point of [Bankruptcy Rule 9018] is to protect business entities from disclosure of information that could reasonably be expected to cause the entity commercial injury.").
- 51. Upon the request of a party in interest, a court has no discretion and must deny public access to information that falls within one of the categories under Bankruptcy Code section 107(b). Orion Pictures Corp., 21 F.3d at 27. If, however, the information to be protected does not fit into any of the specified categories, then the court has discretion to decide if the requesting party has shown cause to permit filing under seal. See In re Bennett Funding Group, Inc., 226 B.R. 331, 336 (Bankr. N.D.N.Y. 1998) (citing Nixon v. Warner Communications, Inc., 435 U.S. 589, 599 (1978)); Orion Pictures Corp., 21 F.3d at 27 ("In limited circumstances, courts must deny access to judicial documents").
- 52. The power to seal also arises from the inherent power of the court to control dissemination of its records. See In re Robert Landau Assocs., Inc. 50 B.R. 670, 676, 677 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 1985) (court's inherent power to seal, despite section 107(b)'s inapplicability, is implicit in section 704(7)'s exception to disclosure—"unless the court orders otherwise"); In re I.G. Servs. Ltd., 244 B.R. 377, 388 n.14 (Bankr. W.D. Tex. 2000) (concluding that if section 107 applied to records not filed with court, court still had power to control dissemination of information beyond scope of section 107), rev'd on other grounds sub nom. San Antonio Express-News v. Blackwell (In re Blackwell), 263 B.R. 505 (W.D. Tex. 2000); In re Apex Oil Co., 101 B.R. 92, 101-02 (Bankr. E.D. Mo. 1989)

(citing Robert Landau Assocs.); In re EPIC Assocs. V, 54 B.R. 445, 450 (Bankr. E.D. Va. 1985) (exercising inherent supervisory power over its own records and files). When deciding to allow a debtor to file documents under seal, courts should look at all relevant facts and circumstances and weigh the competing interests of the debtor seeking protection with the general right of the public to access documents filed in a bankruptcy case.

Bennett Funding, 226 B.R. at 336. Relevant factors include (1) whether the debtor will suffer irreparable harm if the information is disclosed, (2) whether the debtor can demonstrate that disclosure will have a negative impact on its estate such that the debtor would be at a disadvantage in comparison with competitors, and (3) whether the debtor is seeking to protect the information on a temporary basis or on a permanent basis. See generally In re Hemple, 295 B.R. 200, 202 (Bankr. D. Vt. 2003).

53. The circumstances of this case demonstrate the need for confidentiality to preserve the status quo and to avoid unnecessary harm to the Debtors and others that would be caused by filing these complaints publicly.<sup>20</sup>

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54. In light of the benefits that the relief requested would provide to the Debtors, defendants in Adversary Proceedings, and other stakeholders, and given the

Similar relief was granted in In re Service Merchandise, et al., Case No. 399-02649 (Bankr. M.D. Tenn. Feb. 27, 2001), the bankruptcy court granted the debtors authority to file under seal certain adversary proceedings so that the debtors could continue negotiations with defendants, who were also the debtors' business partners, and to ensure that such defendants continued doing business with the debtors. See Order (i) Establishing Omnibus Initial Filing And Pretrial Procedures For Adversary Proceedings Under 11 U.S.C § 544, 545, 547, 548, Or 553 And Certain Adversary Proceedings, (ii) Granting Authority, Pursuant to Fed. Bankr. R. P. 9019, To Compromise And Settle Such Actions, And (iii) Granting Authority To Abandon Certain De Minimis Claims And Causes Of Action (permitting debtor to file documents under seal in any adversary proceeding in which debtors also sought to stay the proceeding).

authority in support of such relief, the Debtors believe that entry of the proposed order is justified and appropriate.

## Notice Of Motion

Supplemental Order Under 11 U.S.C. §§ 102(1) And 105 And Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002(m), 9006, 9007, And 9014 Establishing Omnibus Hearing Dates And Certain Notice, Case Management, And Administrative Procedures, entered March 20, 2006 (Docket No. 2883) (the "Supplemental Case Management Order"), and the Amended Eighth Supplemental Order Under 11 U.S.C. §§ 102(1) And 105 And Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002(m), 9006, 9007, and 9014 Establishing Omnibus Hearing Dates And Certain Notice, Case Management, And Administrative Procedures, entered October 26, 2006 (Docket No. 5418) (together with the Supplemental Case Management Order, the "Case Management Orders"). In light of the nature of the relief requested, the Debtors submit that no other or further notice is necessary.

## Memorandum Of Law

56. Because the legal points and authorities upon which this Motion relies are incorporated herein, the Debtors respectfully request that the requirement of the service and filing of a separate memorandum of law under Local Rule 9013-1(b) of the Local Bankruptcy Rules for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York be deemed satisfied.

In addition to giving notice in accordance with the Case Management Orders, the Debtors will describe the relief obtained through this Motion in their disclosure statement for the Debtors' plan of reorganization.

WHEREFORE the Debtors respectfully request that this Court enter an order (i) granting the Motion and (ii) granting them such other and further relief as is just.

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| In re                        | : | Chapter 11              |
| DELPHI CORPORATION, et al.,  | : | Case No. 05-44481 (RDD) |
| Debtors.                     | : | (Jointly Administered)  |
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ORDER UNDER 11 U.S.C. §§ 102(1)(A), 105(a), 107, 108(a)(2), AND 546(a) AND FED. R. BANKR. P. 7004, 9006(c), AND 9018
(i) AUTHORIZING DEBTORS TO ENTER INTO STIPULATIONS TOLLING STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS WITH RESPECT TO CERTAIN CLAIMS, (ii) AUTHORIZING PROCEDURES TO IDENTIFY CAUSES OF ACTION THAT SHOULD BE PRESERVED, AND (iii) ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR CERTAIN ADVERSARY PROCEEDINGS INCLUDING THOSE COMMENCED BY DEBTORS UNDER 11 U.S.C. § 541, 544, 545, 547, 548, OR 553

## ("PRESERVATION OF ESTATE CLAIMS PROCEDURES ORDER")

Upon the motion, dated August 6, 2007 (the "Motion"), of Delphi
Corporation ("Delphi") and certain of its subsidiaries and affiliates, debtors and debtors-inpossession in the above-captioned cases (collectively, the "Debtors"), for an order (the
"Order") under 11 U.S.C. §§ 102(1)(A), 105(a), 107, 108(a)(2), and 546(a) and Federal
Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 7004, 9006(c), and 9018 (i) authorizing the Debtors to enter
into stipulations tolling the statute of limitations with respect to certain claims,
(ii) authorizing procedures to identify causes of action that should be preserved, and
(iii) establishing procedures for certain Adversary Proceedings¹ commenced by the
Debtors under 11 U.S.C. § 541, 544, 545, 547, 548, or 553; and upon the record of the

Capitalized terms used and not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

hearing held on the Motion; and this Court having determined that the relief requested in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, their creditors, and other parties-in-interest; and it appearing that proper and adequate notice of the Motion has been given and that no other or further notice is necessary; and after due deliberation thereon; and good and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is hereby

#### ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED THAT:

- 1. The Motion is GRANTED.
- 2. The filing and service procedures set forth and required under the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Rules, and any orders of this Court in these chapter 11 cases are modified or waived, as appropriate, as set forth herein with respect to the Adversary Proceedings.
- 3. <u>Scope Of The Procedures</u>. The procedures established by this Order apply to each Adversary Proceeding that the Debtors identify to the Clerk as being subject to these procedures.
- 4. <u>Approval Of Tolling Agreements</u>. The Debtors are hereby authorized to enter into stipulations, substantially in the form annexed to the Motion as Exhibit B, tolling the statute of limitations with respect to claims described in the Motion. Each Debtor is deemed to have entered into a stipulation with other Debtors and affiliated non-Debtor entities.
- 5. <u>Procedures To Identify Causes Of Action And Abandonment</u>

  <u>Authority.</u> The procedures set forth in the Motion to identify causes of action that should be preserved are approved. The Debtors are authorized, without the need for any further

order or any further notice under Bankruptcy Rule 6007(a), to abandon those causes of action or categories of causes of action that Debtors propose in the Motion to abandon. Subject to the procedures set forth in the Motion, the Debtors are further authorized to abandon certain causes of action not specifically identified in the Motion that they determine should not be pursued, including the categories of actions set forth in the Motion, without the need for any further order or any further notice under Bankruptcy Rule 6007(a). The Debtors may abandon additional causes of action after giving notice to the Statutory Committees. If a Statutory Committee objects within 10 days after service of the notice, the Debtors may bring the matter before this Court for a ruling on whether the proposed abandonment satisfies section 554(a) of the Bankruptcy Code.

- 6. Scope Of Fraudulent Transfer Review. For purposes of identifying and preserving potential fraudulent transfer claims, the Debtors need only review the following categories of transactions: merger and acquisition deals at or exceeding \$20 million, transfers to Delphi's board of directors or strategy board members other than for compensation or ordinary-course expense reimbursement (if any), unusual securities transactions (if any), dividend distributions to 5% shareholders, and Delphi's financially troubled supplier program.
- 7. Filing Of Complaints Under Seal. The Clerk of Court is directed to accept for filing, under seal, paper copies of the complaint in each Adversary Proceeding that the Debtors indicate are subject to these procedures. The Clerk of Court also is directed to seal the case docket for any such Adversary Proceeding so that it is not available for public access. The Debtors shall coordinate with the Clerk of Court to

accomplish an efficient and cost-effective filing of the complaints contemplated by this order. The Debtors shall submit to the Clerk, under seal, appropriate electronic media containing PDF copies of the complaints. This order shall not preclude the Debtors, in their sole discretion, from making a copy of a complaint available to parties. The Debtors and GM shall have leave to file, under seal, a stipulation that contains tolling provisions, consistent with this order, and other agreements of the parties with respect to the sealed complaint involving GM, which stipulation shall be deemed "so ordered" and shall be sealed in accordance with the terms of this order.

- 8. <u>Modification Of Federal Rule Of Civil Procedure 4(m)</u>. The Debtors shall have until March 31, 2008 to serve each defendant with summons and complaint, without prejudice to further extensions.
- 9. Stay Of Adversary Proceedings. All activity in the Adversary Proceedings that the Debtors indicate are subject to these procedures shall be stayed until the earlier of (i) the Debtors' service of a summons and complaint on the defendant in any Adversary Proceeding and (ii) further order of this Court. Notwithstanding the stay, the Debtors may amend their complaint during the stay. Also, during the stay, the Debtors may dismiss any Adversary Proceeding after notice to counsel to the Statutory Committees. If a Statutory Committee objects within 10 days after service of the notice of dismissal, the Debtors may bring the matter before this Court for a ruling on whether the proposed dismissal satisfies section 554(a) of the Bankruptcy Code.

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10. Deferral Of Issuance Of Summons. The Clerk of Court is directed

not to issue summons until either the stay is lifted with respect to a particular Adversary

Proceeding or the Debtors request the Clerk of Court to issue a summons.

11. Service Of Order With Summons And Complaint. The Debtors

must serve a copy of this order upon each defendant in any Adversary Proceeding either

when the Debtors serve a summons and complaint on the defendant or as soon thereafter as

practicable.

12. Additional Procedures. This Order is without prejudice to the

Debtors' seeking additional procedures to govern the Adversary Proceedings.

13. This Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters

arising from the implementation of this order.

14. The requirement under Rule 9013-1(b) of the Local Bankruptcy

Rules for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York for

the service and filing of a separate memorandum of law is deemed satisfied by the Motion.

Dated: August \_\_\_\_\_, 2007

New York, New York

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

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In re : Chapter 11

DELPHI CORPORATION, et al., : Case No. 05-44481 (RDD)

(Jointly Administered)

Debtors. :

# STIPULATION TOLLING APPLICABLE STATUTES OF LIMITATIONS WITH RESPECT TO CLAIMS AGAINST [DEFENDANT]

Delphi Corporation ("Delphi") and certain of its subsidiaries and affiliates,

debtors and debtors-in-possession in the above-captioned cases (collectively, the

"Debtors"), and [Defendant], and its affiliates and subsidiaries, hereby agree and state as follows:

WHEREAS on October 8, 2007 and October 14, 2007 (together, the "Filing Date"), the Debtors filed voluntary petitions for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code") in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "Bankruptcy Court").

WHEREAS in the course of the Debtors' bankruptcy cases, claims and causes of action under or through various provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, including, without limitation, sections 502, 541, 544, 545, 547, 548, 550, and 553 of the Bankruptcy Code, might be asserted by one or more of the Debtors or asserted on behalf of the Debtors' estates against [Defendant].

WHEREAS [Defendant] might wish to assert defenses, setoffs, and counterclaims to such claims or causes of action by the Debtors.

WHEREAS the Debtors and [Defendant] seek to avoid the cost and expense of unnecessary motion practice and litigation and seek to preserve all of their respective legal rights without allowing any applicable statute of limitations to expire and without acknowledging in any way that valid claims, causes of action, or defenses thereto exist or do not exist.

THEREFORE, the Debtors and [Defendant] stipulate and agree as follows:

1. The running of any applicable statute of limitations under sections 108 and 546(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, and all other time limitations or time-based defenses concerning any claim or cause of action against [Defendant] which might

be asserted by one or more of the Debtors or asserted on behalf of the Debtors' estates under or through various provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, including, without limitation, any of sections 502, 541, 544, 545, 547, 548, and 553 of the Bankruptcy Code (the "Claims"), is hereby tolled.

- 2. The time elapsed during the Tolled Period (defined below) with respect to the Claims is excluded from any computation of time for purposes of any argument or defense based on statutes of limitations, laches, estoppel, waiver, and any other time-based defense or right. As of the termination of this stipulation, the rights of each of the undersigned parties and their successors, assigns, and legal representatives with respect to the Claims will be as they were immediately before the execution of this stipulation with respect to the interposition of any argument or defense based on statutes of limitations, laches, estoppel, waiver, and any other time-based defense or right. This stipulation does not revive any Claim which was barred by the statute of limitations or any other time-based defense before the date this stipulation was executed.
- 3. The provisions of this stipulation extend up to and include the first business day nine months following entry of an order confirming the Plan, as the same may have been amended or modified before its entry (the "Tolled Period").
- 4. Notwithstanding the provisions contained herein, in the sole and absolute discretion of the Debtors, or their respective successors and assigns, the Debtors or such successors and assigns are permitted to commence any litigation against [Defendant] during the Tolled Period.

- 5. Each of the parties acknowledges that it has read all of the terms of this stipulation and enters into those terms voluntarily and without duress.
- 6. This stipulation contains the entire agreement between the parties regarding the provisions set forth above and may be modified only in a writing signed by the parties or their duly appointed agents, upon notice to counsel for the an official committee of unsecured creditors
- 7. This stipulation is not to be construed, and is not intended, as an admission or suggestion that any valid claim or cause of action exists against [Defendant] or that any valid defense to any such claim or cause of action exists.
- 8. Except as expressly set forth in this stipulation, each of the parties hereto reserves all rights and remedies that it may have against the other.
- 9. The parties intend that this stipulation and Order and the tolling contemplated hereby shall not impair, diminish, or eliminate any jurisdiction of the Bankruptcy Court, to the extent that it has jurisdiction as of the date of execution of this stipulation, to adjudicate any claim, action, or proceeding relating to or arising out of any matter referred to above. In particular, the parties understand, and the Bankruptcy Court by approving this stipulation or form of stipulation finds and determines, that section 546(a) of the Bankruptcy Code constitutes a true statute of limitations which may be tolled by the parties' agreement. The parties nevertheless recognize that there exist dicta in certain reported cases indicating that some courts (which have considered section 546(a) of the Bankruptcy Code to impose a temporal limit on the jurisdiction of the Bankruptcy Court) might hold that section 546(a) could not be tolled by agreement. If a final and non-

appealable order of a court of competent jurisdiction determines that (i) the time limitations described in section 546(a) cannot be effectively tolled by agreement and (ii) the Bankruptcy Court therefore cannot adjudicate any such claim, action, or proceeding, then the non-Debtor party to each stipulation (as a new and separate obligation and in consideration of the forbearance provided for hereby) must pay to each Debtor that amount, if any, which the Bankruptcy Court by final order determines would have been the ultimate net liability of the non-Debtor party to such Debtor on any such claim, action, or proceeding if an adversary proceeding on such claim, action, or proceeding had been commenced in Bankruptcy Court on the date this stipulation was executed, but giving full effect to any and all other defenses or counterclaims of any kind or nature that the non-Debtor party could assert in such an adversary proceeding. If the Bankruptcy Court is not competent to make such a determination, the determination will be made by binding arbitration, and the Debtors and the non-Debtor party hereby irrevocably submit to such binding arbitration in accordance with the arbitration rules of [ (but only in the event that the Bankruptcy Court is not competent to make the determination as described above) and to entry of judgment upon the arbitration award in the Bankruptcy Court or any court of competent jurisdiction.

10. This stipulation is deemed to have been jointly drafted by the parties hereto, and, in constructing and interpreting this stipulation, no provision may be construed and interpreted for or against any of the parties because such provision or any other provision of this stipulation, or this stipulation as a whole, was purportedly prepared or requested by that party.

- 11. This stipulation and the rights and obligations of the parties hereunder are governed by, and construed and interpreted in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York and, to the extent applicable, federal bankruptcy law, and any action or proceeding to enforce the rights and obligations of the parties hereunder must originally and exclusively be brought in the Bankruptcy Court.
- 12. This stipulation is effective as of the date it is fully executed and is binding upon, and inures to the benefit of, the successors, representatives, assigns, and heirs of the parties hereto.
  - 13. Each stipulation is deemed "So Ordered" upon execution thereof.
- 14. This stipulation may be executed in counterparts and by facsimile signature, and all executed counterparts and facsimile signatures taken together constitute one document.
- 15. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, the use of the singular of any word includes the plural and the use of the plural includes the singular.

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| [Debtor-in-Possession]               | [Defendant]               |
| By:                                  | By:                       |
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| [Attorneys for Debtor-in-Possession] | [Attorneys for Defendant] |
| By:                                  | By:                       |

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Hearing Date And Time: August 16, 2007 At 10:00 A.M. Objection Deadline: August 13, 2007 At 4:00 P.M.

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Debtors. : (Jointly Administered)

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NOTICE OF EXPEDITED MOTION FOR ORDER UNDER 11 U.S.C. §§ 102(1)(A), 105(a), 107, 108(a)(2), AND 546(a) AND FED. R. BANKR. P. 7004, 9006(c), AND 9018 (i) AUTHORIZING DEBTORS TO ENTER INTO STIPULATIONS TOLLING STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS WITH RESPECT TO CERTAIN CLAIMS, (ii) AUTHORIZING PROCEDURES TO IDENTIFY CAUSES

OF ACTION THAT SHOULD BE PRESERVED, AND (iii) ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR CERTAIN ADVERSARY PROCEEDINGS INCLUDING

THOSE COMMENCED BY DEBTORS UNDER 11 U.S.C. § 541, 544, 545, 547, 548, OR 553

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on August 6, 2007, Delphi Corporation ("Delphi") and certain of its subsidiaries and affiliates, debtors and debtors-in-possession in the above-captioned cases (collectively, the "Debtors"), filed an Expedited Motion For Order Under 11 U.S.C. §§ 102(1)(A), 105(a), 107, 108(a)(2), And 546(a) And Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7004, 9006(c), And 9018 (i) Authorizing Debtors To Enter Into Stipulations Tolling Statute Of Limitations With Respect To Certain Claims, (ii) Authorizing Procedures To Identify Causes Of Action That Should Be Preserved, And (iii) Establishing Procedures For Certain Adversary Proceedings Including Those Commenced By Debtors Under 11 U.S.C. § 541, 544, 545, 547, 548, Or 553 (the "Motion").

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a hearing to consider approval of the Motion will be held on August 16, 2007, at 10:00 a.m. (prevailing Eastern time) (the "Hearing") before the Honorable Robert D. Drain, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York, One Bowling Green, Room 610, New York, New York 10004.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that objections, if any, to the Motion must (a) be in writing, (b) conform to the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, the Local Bankruptcy Rules for the Southern District of New York, and the Supplemental Order Under 11 U.S.C. §§ 102(1) and 105 and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002(m), 9006, 9007, and 9014 Establishing Omnibus Hearing Dates And Certain Notice, Case Management, and Administrative Procedures, entered March 20, 2006 (Docket No. 2883) (the "Supplemental Case Management Order") and the Amended Eighth Supplemental Order Under 11 U.S.C. §§ 102(1) and 105 and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002(m), 9006, 9007, and 9014 Establishing Omnibus Hearing Dates and Certain Notice, Case Management, and Administrative Procedures, entered October 26, 2006 (Docket No. 5418)

(together with the Supplemental Case Management Order, the "Case Management Orders"), (c) be filed with the Bankruptcy Court in accordance with General Order M-242 (as amended) – registered users of the Bankruptcy Court's case filing system must file electronically, and all other parties-in-interest must file on a 3.5 inch disk (preferably in Portable Document Format (PDF), WordPerfect, or any other Windows-based word processing format), (d) be submitted in hard-copy form directly to the chambers of the Honorable Robert D. Drain, United States Bankruptcy Judge, and (e) be served upon (i) Delphi Corporation, 5725 Delphi Drive, Troy, Michigan 48098 (Att'n: General Counsel), (ii) counsel to the Debtors, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, 333 West Wacker Drive, Suite 2100, Chicago, Illinois 60606 (Att'n: John Wm. Butler, Jr.), (iii) counsel for the agent under the postpetition credit facility, Davis Polk & Wardwell, 450 Lexington Avenue, New York, New York 10017 (Att'n: Donald Bernstein and Brian Resnick), (iv) counsel for the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors, Latham & Watkins LLP, 885 Third Avenue, New York, New York 10022 (Att'n: Robert J. Rosenberg and Mark A. Broude), (v) counsel for the Official Committee of Equity Security Holders, Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP, One New York Plaza, New York, New York 10004 (Att'n: Bonnie Steingart), and (vi) the Office of the United States Trustee for the Southern District of New York, 33 Whitehall Street, Suite 2100, New York, New York 10004 (Att'n: Alicia M. Leonhard), in each case so as to be **received** no later than **4:00 p.m.** (**prevailing** Eastern time) on August 13, 2007 (the "Objection Deadline").

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that only those objections made as set forth herein and in accordance with the Case Management Orders will be considered by the Bankruptcy Court at the Hearing. If no objections to the Motion are timely filed and served in accordance with the procedures set forth herein and in the Case Management Orders, the Bankruptcy Court may enter an order granting the Motion without further notice.

Dated: New York, New York August 6, 2007

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## **EXHIBIT D**

**Extension of Avoidance Action Service Deadline Motion** 

Hearing Date And Time: March 19, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. Objection Deadline: March 12, 2008 at 4:00 p.m.

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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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In re : Chapter 11

DELPHI CORPORATION, et al., : Case No. 05-44481 (RDD)

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: (Jointly Administered)

Debtors. :

MOTION PURSUANT TO FED. R. BANKR. P. 7004(a) AND 9006(b)(1) AND FED. R. CIV. P. 4(m) TO EXTEND DEADLINE TO SERVE PROCESS FOR AVOIDANCE ACTIONS FILED IN CONNECTION WITH PRESERVATION OF ESTATE CLAIMS PROCEDURES ORDER

("EXTENSION OF AVOIDANCE ACTION SERVICE DEADLINE MOTION")



Delphi Corporation ("Delphi") and certain of its subsidiaries and affiliates, debtors and debtors-in-possession in the above-captioned cases (collectively, the "Debtors"), hereby submit this Motion Pursuant To Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7004(a) And 9006(b)(1) And Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m) To Extend Deadline To Serve Process For Avoidance Actions Filed In Connection With Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order (Docket No. 9105) (the "Motion"), and respectfully represent as follows:

## **Background**

## A. The Chapter 11 Filings

- 1. On October 8 and 14, 2005, the Debtors filed voluntary petitions in this Court for reorganization relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101-1330, as then amended (the "Bankruptcy Code"). The Debtors continue to operate their businesses and manage their properties as debtors-in-possession under Bankruptcy Code sections 1107(a) and 1108. This Court has ordered joint administration of these cases.
- No trustee or examiner has been appointed in these cases. On October 17,
   2005, the Office of the United States Trustee (the "U.S. Trustee") appointed an official
   committee of unsecured creditors. On April 28, 2006, the U.S. Trustee appointed an official
   committee of equity holders.
- 3. On September 6, 2007, the Debtors filed the Joint Plan Of Reorganization Of Delphi Corporation And Certain Affiliates, Debtors And Debtors-In Possession (Docket No. 9263) and the Disclosure Statement With Respect To Joint Plan Of Reorganization Of Delphi Corporation And Certain Affiliates, Debtors And Debtors-In Possession (Docket No. 9264). Subsequently, on December 10, 2007, the Debtors filed the First Amended Joint Plan Of Reorganization Of Delphi Corporation And Certain Affiliates, Debtors And Debtors-In-Possession (Docket No. 11386) (the "Plan") and the First Amended Disclosure Statement with

respect to the Plan (Docket No. 11388) (the "Disclosure Statement"). The Court entered an order approving the adequacy of the Disclosure Statement and granting the related solicitation procedures motion on December 10, 2007 (Docket No. 11389). On January 25, 2008, the Court entered an order confirming the Plan (as modified) (Docket No. 12359) (the "Confirmation Order"), which became a final order on February 4, 2008.

- 4. This Court has jurisdiction over this Motion pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334. Venue is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409. This matter is a core proceeding under 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2).
- 5. The statutory predicates for the relief requested herein are rules 7004 and 9004 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules") and rule 4(m) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

## B. <u>Current Business Operations Of The Debtors</u>

6. Delphi and its subsidiaries and affiliates (collectively, the "Company") as of December 31, 2007 had global net sales of \$22.3 billion and global assets of approximately \$13.7 billion.<sup>1</sup> At the time of its chapter 11 filing, Delphi ranked as the fifth largest public company business reorganization in terms of revenues and the thirteenth largest public company business reorganization in terms of assets. Delphi's non-U.S. subsidiaries are not chapter 11 debtors and have continued their business operations without supervision from the Court.<sup>2</sup>

The aggregated financial data used herein generally consists of consolidated information from Delphi and its worldwide subsidiaries and affiliates as disclosed in the Company's Form 10-K filed on February 19, 2008.

On March 20, 2007, Delphi Automotive Systems Espana S.L. ("DASE"), whose sole operation is a non-core automotive component plant in Cadiz, Spain, filed a "Concurso" application for a Spanish insolvency proceeding, which was approved by the Spanish court on April 13, 2007. On July 4, 2007, DASE, its Concurso receivers, and the Cadiz workers councils and unions reached a settlement on a social plan, the funding of which was approved by this Court on July 19, 2007. The Spanish court approved the social plan on July 31, 2007. The Concurso proceeding is consistent with Delphi's transformation plan to optimize its manufacturing footprint and to lower its overall cost structure.

- 7. The Company is a leading global technology innovator with significant engineering resources and technical competencies in a variety of disciplines, and is one of the largest global suppliers of vehicle electronics, transportation components, integrated systems and modules, and other electronic technology. The Company supplies products to nearly every major global automotive original equipment manufacturer ("OEM").
- 8. Delphi was incorporated in Delaware in 1998 as a wholly owned subsidiary of General Motors Corporation ("GM"). Prior to January 1, 1999, GM conducted the Company's business through various divisions and subsidiaries. Effective January 1, 1999, the assets and liabilities of these divisions and subsidiaries were transferred to the Company in accordance with the terms of a Master Separation Agreement between Delphi and GM. In connection with these transactions, Delphi accelerated its evolution from a North American-based, captive automotive supplier to a global supplier of components, integrated systems, and modules for a wide range of customers and applications. Although GM is still the Company's single largest customer, today more than half of Delphi's revenue is generated from non-GM sources.

#### C. Events Leading To The Chapter 11 Filing

9. In the first two years following Delphi's separation from GM, the Company generated approximately \$2 billion in net income. Every year thereafter, however, with the exception of 2002, the Company has suffered losses. In calendar year 2004, the Company reported a net loss of approximately \$4.8 billion on \$28.6 billion in net sales.<sup>3</sup> Reflective of a continued downturn in the marketplace, in 2005 Delphi incurred net losses of

Reported net losses in calendar year 2004 reflect a \$4.1 billion tax charge, primarily related to the recording of a valuation allowance on U.S. deferred tax assets as of December 31, 2004. The Company's net operating loss in calendar year 2004 was \$482 million.

approximately \$2.4 billion on net sales of \$26.9 billion. Moreover, in 2006 the Debtors incurred a net loss of \$5.5 billion, \$3.0 billion of which comprised charges related to the U.S. employee special attrition programs, and in 2007, the Debtors incurred a net loss of \$3.1 billion.

- deteriorated because of (i) increasingly unsustainable U.S. legacy liabilities and operational restrictions preventing the Debtors from exiting non-profitable, non-core operations, all of which have the effect of creating largely fixed labor costs, (ii) a competitive U.S. vehicle production environment for domestic OEMs resulting in the reduced number of motor vehicles that GM produces annually in the United States and related pricing pressures, and (iii) increasing commodity prices.
- 11. In light of these factors, the Company determined that it would be imprudent and irresponsible to defer addressing and resolving its U.S. legacy liabilities, product portfolio, operational issues, and forward-looking revenue requirements. Because discussions with its major stakeholders had not progressed sufficiently by the end of the third quarter of 2005, the Company commenced these chapter 11 cases for its U.S. businesses to complete its transformation plan and preserve value for its stakeholders.

## D. The Debtors' Transformation Plan

transformation plan that it believed would enable it to return to stable, profitable business operations. The Debtors stated that they needed to focus on five key areas: first, modifying the Company's labor agreements to create a competitive arena in which to conduct business; second, concluding their negotiations with GM to finalize GM's financial support for the Debtors' legacy and labor costs and to ascertain GM's business commitment to the Company; third, streamlining their product portfolio to capitalize on their world-class technology and market strengths and

make the necessary manufacturing alignment with their new focus; fourth, transforming their salaried workforce to ensure that the Company's organizational and cost structure is competitive and aligned with its product portfolio and manufacturing footprint; and fifth, devising a workable solution to their current pension situation.

## E. <u>Confirmation Of The Debtors' Plan Of Reorganization</u>

- 13. The confirmed Plan is based upon a series of global settlements and compromises that involve nearly every major constituency in the Debtors' reorganization cases. The Global Settlement Agreement and the Master Restructuring Agreement provide for a comprehensive settlement with GM, and both agreements were approved by this Court in the Confirmation Order. With the Plan confirmed, the Debtors are focusing their efforts on satisfying the conditions for the Plan to become effective and allow them to emerge from chapter 11. The Debtors anticipate having the Plan become effective as soon as reasonably practicable.
- 14. Upon the conclusion of the reorganization process, the Debtors expect to emerge as a stronger, more financially sound business with viable U.S. operations that are well-positioned to advance global enterprise objectives. In the meantime, Delphi will marshal all of its resources to continue to deliver high-quality products to its customers globally. Additionally, the Company will preserve and continue the strategic growth of its non-U.S. operations and maintain its prominence as the world's premier auto supplier.

#### F. The Establishment Of Procedures to Preserve Estate Claims

15. Before the confirmation of the Debtors' Plan, this Court entered on August 16, 2007 that certain Order Under 11 U.S.C. §§ 102(1)(A), 105(a), 107, 108(a)(2), And 546(a) And Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7004, 9006(c), And 9018 (i) Authorizing Debtors To Enter Into Stipulations Tolling Statute Of Limitations With Respect To Certain Claims, (ii) Authorizing Procedures To Identify Causes Of Action That Should Be Preserved, And (iii) Establishing

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Procedures For Certain Adversary Proceedings Including Those Commenced By Debtors Under 11 U.S.C. § 541, 544, 545, 547, 548, Or 553 ("Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order") (Docket No. 9105).

- 16. The purpose of the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order was two-fold: on the one hand, it permitted the Debtors to preserve their right to pursue (or abandon) certain avoidance actions before the then-impending expiration of the two-year statute of limitations to file such actions; on the other hand, it established procedures to avoid having to force all potential defendants to retain counsel and defend against the adversary proceedings when, in fact, the Debtors anticipated that most of them would be resolved upon the Debtors' emergence from chapter 11 and thus never pursued. To that end, the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order (i) allowed the Debtors to file adversary proceeding complaints under seal, (ii) directed the Clerk of Court to delay issuing summonses for complaints unless and until the Debtors notified the Clerk of Court of their intent to prosecute such actions, (iii) stayed each adversary action unless and until the Debtors make service of process on the respective defendants, and (iv) extended the deadline under Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m) by which the Debtors would have to serve process to March 31, 2008, which was less than 60 days beyond the 120-day deadline, so that the complaints would not be subject to dismissal under Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m). Such relief was intended to allow the Debtors to preserve potentially valuable assets without disrupting the Plan process or business relationships or prejudicing the rights of any defendants.
- 17. In accordance with the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order, the Debtors commenced 742 adversary proceedings (the "Adversary Proceedings") by filing complaints under seal. On January 25, 2008, the Court entered the Confirmation Order. Under

the Plan, the Debtors will not retain any of the causes of action asserted in the Adversary Proceedings except those specifically listed on Exhibit 7.24 to the Plan.<sup>4</sup>

### Relief Requested

Rule 9006(b)(1) and Federal Rule Of Civil Procedure 4(m), made applicable by Bankruptcy Rule 7004(a), to extend the deadline by which the Debtors would be required to serve a summons and complaint upon each defendant under the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order. Specifically, the Debtors request that the existing March 31, 2008 service deadline set forth in the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order be extended by two months to May 31, 2008. The Debtors accordingly request that the Court enter the proposed Extension of Avoidance Action Service Deadline Order, a copy of which is annexed hereto as Exhibit A.

#### Basis For Relief

19. The Debtors intend to emerge from chapter 11 as soon as reasonably practicable. Under the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order, however, the Debtors' current deadline to serve the summons and complaint on every defendant in the Adversary Proceedings is March 31, 2008. To meet the March 31, 2008 deadline for each of the defendants, the Debtors would first have to request that the Clerk of Court issue in the coming weeks summonses for each of the 742 Adversary Proceedings to allow enough time for the summonses to be issued and subsequently served with the complaints by the March 31, 2008 deadline.

Of the five categories of claims listed by the Debtors on Exhibit 7.24 to the Plan, only the claims relating to Laneko Engineering Co., Wachovia Bank, National Association, Laneko Engineering Co. Inc., and their affiliates and subsidiaries are subject to the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order. (See Exhibit 7.24 to the Plan (Docket No. 11608).)

- 20. Contemplating that further extensions may be necessary to achieve the goals of the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order, that order expressly provided that the Debtors' previous extension of the deadline for services of process was "without prejudice [to the Debtors' ability] to seek further extensions" if appropriate. (See Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order ¶ 8.)
- 21. The Debtors now believe that the short two-month extension of the Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m) deadline that is requested in this Motion is appropriate, and that there is good cause for such an extension. Such an extension would enable the Debtors to fulfill their fiduciary responsibility to preserve valuable estate assets in a manner that would not unnecessarily disrupt the emergence process or the Debtors' current business relationships with potential defendants that are necessary to the Debtors' ongoing operations. Moreover, the requested limited extension would reduce the administrative and economic burdens of the Adversary Proceedings on the Debtors, the Court, the Clerk of Court, and the potential defendants. Specifically, the Debtors believe that the resources that they, the Court, the Clerk of Court, and the defendants would need to expend on issuing and serving 742 summonses and complaints in the Adversary Proceedings at this time—and the potential need thereafter to prosecute and defend such adversary proceedings—would not be in the best interests of the Debtors' estates, the Debtors' stakeholders, and other parties-in-interest because most of the Adversary Proceedings will not be prosecuted once the Plan becomes effective. The Debtors submit that these reasons comprise good cause for the requested extension.

### **Applicable Authority**

22. The Bankruptcy Rules and Federal Rules of Civil Procedure grant this
Court discretion to adopt and implement guidelines which will aid in the administration of
Adversary Proceedings, including discretion to grant the proposed extension of the service of

process deadline. See In re Sheehan, 253 F.3d 507, 511 (9th Cir. 2001) ("The time for service in an adversary proceeding may be extended under two different rules: Rule 4(m) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and Bankruptcy Rule 9006(b).").

- 23. Bankruptcy Rule 9006(b)(1) provides for the enlargement of time to perform acts required under the Bankruptcy Rules: "[W]hen an act is required or allowed to be done at or within a specified period by these rules or by a notice given thereunder or by order of court, the court for cause shown may at any time in its discretion . . . order the period enlarged if the request therefor is made before the expiration of the period originally prescribed or as extended by a previous order . . . ." Fed. R. Bankr. P. 9006(b)(1).
- 24. Moreover, Fed. R. Civil P. 4(m), made applicable here by Bankruptcy Rule 7004(a), requires courts, upon a showing of good cause, to extend the period for service of process after the filing of a complaint. See Bank of Cape Verde v. Bronson, 167 F.R.D. 370, 371-72 (S.D.N.Y. 1996) (good cause existed when future events would have likely "obviated the need to serve the [] complaint" and when plaintiff requested extension before Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m) deadline expired). Even absent good cause, this Court has discretion to extend the 120-day service period. See Mejia v. Castle Hotel Inc., 164 F.R.D. 343, 345 (S.D.N.Y. 1996).
- 25. The Debtors accordingly request that the Court enter the proposed order, annexed hereto as Exhibit A, which would extend by two months (i.e., from March 31, 2008 to May 31, 2008) the Debtors' Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m) deadline to serve each defendant in the Adversary Proceedings commenced in connection with the Preservation Of Estate Claims

Procedures Order with a summons and a copy of the complaint, without prejudice to the Debtors' right to seek further extensions of the deadline.<sup>5</sup>

#### Notice Of Motion

26. Notice of this Motion has been provided in accordance with the Supplemental Order Under 11 U.S.C. §§ 102(1) And 105 And Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002(m), 9006, 9007, And 9014 Establishing Omnibus Hearing Dates And Certain Notice, Case Management, And Administrative Procedures, entered March 20, 2006 (Docket No. 2883), and the Tenth Supplemental Order Under 11 U.S.C. §§ 102(1) And 105 And Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002(m), 9006, 9007, And 9014 Establishing Omnibus Hearing Dates And Certain Notice, Case Management, And Administrative Procedures, entered February 4, 2008 (Docket No. 12487). In light of the nature of the relief requested, the Debtors submit that no other or further notice is necessary.

### Memorandum Of Law

27. Because the legal points and authorities upon which this Motion relies are incorporated herein, the Debtors respectfully request that the requirement of the service and filing of a separate memorandum of law under Local Rule 9013-1(b) of the Local Bankruptcy Rules for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York be deemed satisfied.

Similar relief was granted in <u>In re Ames Dep't Stores, Inc.</u>, No. 01-42217 (REG) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Feb. 3, 2004). (See Order Extending Time For Service Of Process With Respect To Certain Preference Actions (Docket No. 2524).)

WHEREFORE the Debtors respectfully request that the Court enter an order

(a) granting the relief requested herein and (b) granting the Debtors such other and further relief as is just.

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| In re   | : | Chapter 11              |
| DELPHI CORPORATION, et al.,                                 | : | Case No. 05-44481 (RDD) |
| Debtors.  | : | (Jointly Administered)  |
|   | v |                         |

ORDER PURSUANT TO FED. R. BANKR. P. 7004(a) AND 9006(b)(1) AND FED. R. CIV. P. 4(m) TO EXTEND DEADLINE TO SERVE PROCESS FOR AVOIDANCE ACTIONS FILED IN CONNECTION WITH PRESERVATION OF ESTATE CLAIMS PROCEDURES ORDER

("EXTENSION OF AVOIDANCE ACTION SERVICE DEADLINE ORDER")

Upon the motion, dated February 28, 2008 (the "Motion"), of Delphi

Corporation ("Delphi") and certain of its subsidiaries and affiliates, debtors and debtors-inpossession in the above-captioned cases (collectively, the "Debtors"), for an order under

Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure 7004(a) and 9006(b)(1) and Federal Rule of Civil

Procedure 4(m) to extend the deadline to serve process for Adversary Proceedings<sup>1</sup>

commenced in connection with the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order<sup>2</sup>

(Docket No. 9105); and upon the record of the hearing held on the Motion; and this Court

having determined that the relief requested in the Motion is in the best interests of the

Debtors, their estates, their creditors, and other parties-in-interest; and it appearing that

proper and adequate notice of the Motion has been given and that no other or further notice

Capitalized terms used and not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

The Adversary Proceedings are listed by adversary proceeding number on Exhibit A attached hereto.

is necessary; and after due deliberation thereon; and good and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is hereby

### ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED THAT:

- 1. The Motion is GRANTED.
- 2. Paragraph 8 of the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order is modified so that the time under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(m) by which the Debtors must serve a defendant in the Adversary Proceedings with a summons and complaint is further extended to May 31, 2008, without prejudice to the Debtors' right to seek further extensions. The Debtors shall serve a copy of this order upon each defendant in any Adversary Proceeding either when the Debtors serve a summons and complaint on such defendant or as soon thereafter as practicable. All other provisions of the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order shall remain in effect.
- 3. This order shall be deemed entered in each of the Adversary Proceedings.
- 4. The Debtors shall file a copy of this order in each of the Adversary Proceedings.
- 5. This Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters arising from the implementation of this order.

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|                | 6.                | The requirement under Rule 9013-1(b) of the Local Bankruptcy       |
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| Rules for the  | United S          | States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York for  |
| the service an | d filing          | of a separate memorandum of law is deemed satisfied by the Motion. |
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Debtors. : (Jointly Administered)

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NOTICE OF MOTION PURSUANT TO FED. R. BANKR. P. 7004(a) AND 9006(b)(1) AND FED. R. CIV. P. 4(m) TO EXTEND DEADLINE TO SERVE PROCESS FOR AVOIDANCE ACTIONS FILED IN CONNECTION WITH PRESERVATION OF ESTATE CLAIMS PROCEDURES ORDER

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on February 28, 2008, Delphi Corporation ("Delphi") and certain of its subsidiaries and affiliates, debtors and debtors-in-possession in the above-captioned cases (collectively, the "Debtors"), filed a Motion Pursuant To Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7004(a) And 9006(b)(1) And Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m) To Extend Deadline To Serve Process For Avoidance Actions Filed In Connection With Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order (the "Motion").

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a hearing to consider approval of the Motion will be held on March 19, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. (prevailing Eastern time) (the "Hearing") before the Honorable Robert D. Drain, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York, One Bowling Green, Room 610, New York, New York 10004 (the "Bankruptcy Court").

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that objections, if any, to the Motion must

(a) be in writing, (b) conform to the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, the Local

Bankruptcy Rules for the Southern District of New York, the Supplemental Order Under

11 U.S.C. §§ 102(1) And 105 And Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002(m), 9006, 9007, And 9014

Establishing Omnibus Hearing Dates And Certain Notice, Case Management, And

Administrative Procedures, entered March 20, 2006 (the "Supplemental Case Management

Order") (Docket No. 2883), and the Tenth Supplemental Order Under 11 U.S.C. §§ 102(1) And

105 And Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002(m), 9006, 9007, And 9014 Establishing Omnibus Hearing Dates

And Certain Notice, Case Management, And Administrative Procedures, entered February 4,

2008 (Docket No. 12487) (the "Tenth Supplemental Case Management Order"), (c) be filed with

the Bankruptcy Court in accordance with General Order M-242 (as amended) – registered users

of the Bankruptcy Court's case filing system must file electronically, and all other parties-in-

interest must file on a 3.5 inch disk (preferably in Portable Document Format (PDF), WordPerfect, or any other Windows-based word processing format), (d) be submitted in hardcopy form directly to the chambers of the Honorable Robert D. Drain, United States Bankruptcy Judge, and (e) be served upon (i) Delphi Corporation, 5725 Delphi Drive, Troy, Michigan 48098 (Att'n: General Counsel), (ii) counsel to the Debtors, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, 333 West Wacker Drive, Suite 2100, Chicago, Illinois 60606 (Att'n: John Wm. Butler, Jr.), (iii) counsel for the agent under the postpetition credit facility, Davis Polk & Wardwell, 450 Lexington Avenue, New York, New York 10017 (Att'n: Donald Bernstein and Brian Resnick), (iv) counsel for the official committee of unsecured creditors, Latham & Watkins LLP, 885 Third Avenue, New York, New York 10022 (Att'n: Robert J. Rosenberg and Mark A. Broude), (v) counsel for the official committee of equity security holders, Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP, One New York Plaza, New York, New York 10004 (Att'n: Bonnie Steingart), and (vi) the Office of the United States Trustee for the Southern District of New York, 33 Whitehall Street, Suite 2100, New York, New York 10004 (Att'n: Alicia M. Leonhard), in each case so as to be received no later than 4:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern time) on March 12, 2008 (the "Objection Deadline").

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that only those objections made as set forth herein and in accordance with the Supplemental Case Management Order and the Tenth Supplemental Case Management Order will be considered by the Bankruptcy Court at the Hearing. If no objections to the Motion are timely filed and served in accordance with the procedures set forth herein and in the Supplemental Case Management Order and the Tenth Supplemental Case Management Order, the Bankruptcy Court may enter an order granting the Motion without further notice.

Dated: New York, New York February 28, 2008

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### **EXHIBIT E**

March 19, 2008 Hearing Transcript

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| 2  | UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT |
| 3  | SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK  |
| 4  | Case No. 05-44481              |
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| 6  | In the Matter of:              |
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| 8  | DELPHI CORPORATION,            |
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| 10 | Debtor.                        |
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| 14 | United States Bankruptcy Court |
| 15 | One Bowling Green              |
| 16 | New York, New York             |
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| 21 | BEFORE:                        |
| 22 | HON. ROBERT D. DRAIN           |
| 23 | U.S. BANKRUPTCY JUDGE          |
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prudent to file this motion. As I indicated, it's been reviewed with our statutory committees and with other stakeholders. No objections have been filed.

THE COURT: Okay. Does anyone want to say anything on this motion? All right. I've reviewed it and the motion clearly sets forth cause for, as you said, a precautionary extension of exclusivity so I'll grant that.

MR. BUTLER: Thank you, Your Honor. Your Honor, matter number 3 on the agenda is our motion to extend the Rule 4 (m) time for services of summonses relating to avoidance actions that were filed under the preservation of the estate claims procedures order. This motion is filed at docket number 12922 and this motion is also unopposed.

Essentially, Your Honor, what we're asking you to do is to extend the time for an additional sixty days for summonses to be served in connection to serve a complete process in connection with all of the individual adversary complaints that were filed under the estate claims procedures order. And you previously had granted us an extension through March 31, 2008 and that was slightly less than sixty days beyond the 120-day deadline set forth in Federal Civil Procedure 4(m). And that rule does provide -- in the case law interpreting it, it does provide the opportunity for the plaintiffs to come in and establish cause with the Court as to an appropriate extension of those summonses.

Under case law here in the Southern District, this

Court has discretion to extend the 120-day service period and

it is a discretionary matter. And it is particularly seen as

good cause when there is a reasonable belief that future events

would likely obviate the need to serve the complaint and

prosecute the actions. That can be -- is obviously, Your

Honor, in this case, I think, self-evident. Upon the

confirmation of a plan, I believe all but one, possibly two of

those matters, would end up not being pursued. They would end

up being dismissed as of the effective date and would not be

pursued. Similar relief of this nature has been granted in

other cases -- Chapter 11 cases in this district, including in

the Ames Department Store case in 2004 where a further

extension was granted at docket number 2524 in that case.

Your Honor, we believe that there is no reason to move forward with the service of summons with respect to the 742 adversary proceedings that are under seal. We would ask Your Honor to give us an additional sixty days through May 31st to address that issue.

THE COURT: Okay. Does anyone have anything to say on this motion? All right. I had one question and you alluded to this. The plan did reserve or retain the ability to pursue a very small number of avoidance actions. And my question is with regard to that small group, have the debtors determined, assuming the plan goes effective, that those will definitely be

23 pursued or is that still something they're analyzing in light 1. of the cost of pursuing it versus the net gain of a victory --2 MR. BUTLER: I think, Your Honor --3 THE COURT: -- or potential victory? 4 MR. BUTLER: -- those are still under analysis. They 5 were retained because of the unique circumstances that were 6 pled in those particular proceedings. And I don't think a 7 final decision has been made as to whether those would actually 8 be pursued. But obviously, we did make -- we did do enough 9 analysis to decide that as opposed to the other 740 odd actions 10 that these should be retained for that purpose. 11 THE COURT: Did those defendants get notice of the 12 13 motion? MR. BUTLER: Everyone received notice of the 4 (m) 14 motion, I believe. Let me make sure. Is that -- I want to 15 just double check with my folks. It went to the 2002 services, 16 I know for sure. Just give us one second, Your Honor. 17 THE COURT: Okay. 18 MR. BUTLER: Your Honor, I'm almost certain that they 19 would have not gotten individualized notice unless they were on 20 21 the 2002 list. 22 THE COURT: Okay. MR. BUTLER: And the reason for that is I'm not sure 23 they know about the existence of the pleadings. 24 THE COURT: All right. Well, I debated whether to 25

24 have you settle the order on those -- that handful of people. 1. I mean, normally, no one wants to have litigation be activated 2 but I think the rationale potentially for them is a little 3 different than the others. So I think I'll -- particularly, if 4 5 we're not sure whether they got the notice. MR. BUTLER: Your Honor, I think -- let me just --6 THE COURT: If they're on the 2002 list, you don't 7 need to settle it. If they weren't -- they weren't served with 8 it, I'd like you to settle it as to the handful of people that 9 the plan at least contemplates would be pursued. 10 MR. BUTLER: Right. 11 THE COURT: With regard to the vast majority, all the 12 others, clearly there's a good basis for not activating that 13 litigation. It would be moot upon consummation of the plan. 14 MR. BUTLER: We'll do that, Your Honor. And the 15 existence of those folks is obviously that that exhibit to the 16 plan is public. So everyone knows what that retention is. 17 So --18 THE COURT: Right. 19 MR. BUTLER: -- we will deal with that and we will 20 If they're not --21 settle the order. THE COURT: You can do it five days notice. 22 MR. BUTLER: Okay. Thank you, Your Honor. 23 Okay. If they're not on the 2002 list. 24 THE COURT: MR. BUTLER: Thanks -- thank you, Your Honor. Your 25

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## EXHIBIT F

**Extension of Avoidance Action Service Deadline Order** 

| UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY (  | COURT |                         |
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| In re                       | :     | Chapter 11              |
|                             | :     |                         |
| DELPHI CORPORATION, et al., | :     | Case No. 05-44481 (RDD) |
|                             | :     |                         |
| Debtors                     | :     | (Jointly Administered)  |
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ORDER PURSUANT TO FED. R. BANKR. P. 7004(a) AND 9006(b)(1) AND FED. R. CIV. P. 4(m) TO EXTEND DEADLINE TO SERVE PROCESS FOR AVOIDANCE ACTIONS FILED IN CONNECTION WITH PRESERVATION OF ESTATE CLAIMS PROCEDURES ORDER

("EXTENSION OF AVOIDANCE ACTION SERVICE DEADLINE ORDER")

Upon the unopposed motion, dated February 28, 2008 (the "Motion"), of Delphi Corporation ("Delphi") and certain of its subsidiaries and affiliates, debtors and debtors-in-possession in the above-captioned cases (collectively, the "Debtors"), for an order under Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure 7004(a) and 9006(b)(1) and Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(m) to extend the deadline to serve process for Adversary Proceedings<sup>1</sup> commenced in connection with the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order<sup>2</sup> (Docket No. 9105); and upon the record of the hearing held on the Motion; and this Court having determined that the relief requested in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, their creditors, and other parties-in-interest; and it appearing that proper and adequate notice of the Motion has been given, and it appearing that the notice



Capitalized terms used and not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

of the presentment of this order has been given in accordance with this Court's direction and Local Rule 9074-1 to the parties in the adversary proceeding that is subject to the Preservation of Estate Claims Procedures Order and listed on Exhibit 7.24 of the Debtors' Plan, and it appearing that no other or further notice is necessary; and after due deliberation thereon; and good and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is hereby

### ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED THAT:

- 1. The Motion is GRANTED.
- 2. Paragraph 8 of the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order is hereby modified so that the time under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(m) by which the Debtors must serve a defendant in the Adversary Proceedings with a summons and complaint is further extended to May 31, 2008, without prejudice to the Debtors' right to seek further extensions. The Debtors shall serve a copy of this order upon each defendant in any Adversary Proceeding either when the Debtors serve a summons and complaint on such defendant or as soon thereafter as practicable. All other provisions of the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order shall remain in effect.
- This order shall be deemed entered in each of the Adversary
   Proceedings.
- 4. The Debtors shall file a copy of this order in each of the Adversary Proceedings.
- 5. This Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters arising from the implementation of this order.

The Adversary Proceedings are listed by adversary proceeding number on Exhibit A attached hereto.

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6. The requirement under Rule 9013-1(b) of the Local Bankruptcy
Rules for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York for
the service and filing of a separate memorandum of law is deemed satisfied by the Motion.

Dated: New York, New York March 28, 2008

/s/ Robert D. Drain
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

# Exhibit A

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### **EXHIBIT G**

Postconfirmation Extension of Avoidance Action Service Deadline Motion

Hearing Date And Time: April 30, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. Objection Deadline: April 23, 2008 at 4:00 p.m.

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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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In re : Chapter 11

DELPHI CORPORATION, et al., : Case No. 05-44481 (RDD)

(Jointly Administered)

Debtors. : (Jointry Administered

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MOTION PURSUANT TO FED. R. BANKR. P. 7004(a) AND 9006(b)(1) AND FED. R. CIV. P. 4(m) TO EXTEND DEADLINE TO SERVE PROCESS FOR AVOIDANCE ACTIONS FILED IN CONNECTION WITH PRESERVATION OF ESTATE CLAIMS PROCEDURES ORDER

("POSTCONFIRMATION EXTENSION OF AVOIDANCE ACTION SERVICE DEADLINE MOTION")



Delphi Corporation ("Delphi") and certain of its subsidiaries and affiliates, debtors and debtors-in-possession in the above-captioned cases (collectively, the "Debtors"), hereby submit this Motion Pursuant To Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7004(a) And 9006(b)(1) And Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m) To Extend Deadline To Serve Process For Avoidance Actions Filed In Connection With Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order (Docket No. 9105) (the "Motion"), and respectfully represent as follows:

### **Background**

### A. The Chapter 11 Filings

- 1. On October 8 and 14, 2005, the Debtors filed voluntary petitions in this Court for reorganization relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101-1330, as then amended (the "Bankruptcy Code"). The Debtors continue to operate their businesses and manage their properties as debtors-in-possession under Bankruptcy Code sections 1107(a) and 1108. This Court has ordered joint administration of these cases.
- 2. No trustee or examiner has been appointed in these cases. On October 17, 2005, the Office of the United States Trustee (the "U.S. Trustee") appointed an official committee of unsecured creditors. On April 28, 2006, the U.S. Trustee appointed an official committee of equity holders (together with the official committee of unsecured creditors, the "Statutory Committees").
- 3. On September 6, 2007, the Debtors filed the Joint Plan Of Reorganization Of Delphi Corporation And Certain Affiliates, Debtors And Debtors-In Possession (Docket No. 9263) and the Disclosure Statement With Respect To Joint Plan Of Reorganization Of Delphi Corporation And Certain Affiliates, Debtors And Debtors-In Possession (Docket No. 9264). Subsequently, on December 10, 2007, the Debtors filed the First Amended Joint Plan Of

Reorganization Of Delphi Corporation And Certain Affiliates, Debtors And Debtors-In-Possession (Docket No. 11386) (the "Plan") and the First Amended Disclosure Statement with respect to the Plan (Docket No. 11388) (the "Disclosure Statement"). The Court entered an order approving the adequacy of the Disclosure Statement and granting the related solicitation procedures motion on December 10, 2007 (Docket No. 11389). On January 25, 2008, the Court entered an order confirming the Plan, as modified (Docket No. 12359) (the "Confirmation Order"), which became a final order on February 4, 2008.

- 4. On April 4, 2008, the Debtors announced that although they had met the conditions required to substantially consummate the Plan, including obtaining \$6.1 billion of exit financing, Delphi's Plan Investors (as defined in the Plan) refused to participate in a closing that was commenced but not completed and refused to fund their Investment Agreement (as defined in the Plan) with Delphi. The Debtors are prepared to pursue actions with respect to the Plan Investors that are in the best interests of the Debtors and their stakeholders and are working with their stakeholders to achieve their goal of emerging from chapter 11 as soon as practicable.
- 5. This Court has jurisdiction over this Motion pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334. Venue is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409. This matter is a core proceeding under 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2).
- 6. The statutory predicates for the relief requested herein are rules 7004 and 9004 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules") and rule 4(m) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

### B. <u>Current Business Operations Of The Debtors</u>

7. Delphi and its subsidiaries and affiliates (collectively, the "Company") as of December 31, 2007 had global net sales of \$22.3 billion and global assets of approximately

\$13.7 billion.<sup>1</sup> At the time of its chapter 11 filing, Delphi ranked as the fifth largest public company business reorganization in terms of revenues and the thirteenth largest public company business reorganization in terms of assets. Delphi's non-U.S. subsidiaries are not chapter 11 debtors and have continued their business operations without supervision from the Court.<sup>2</sup>

- 8. The Company is a leading global technology innovator with significant engineering resources and technical competencies in a variety of disciplines, and is one of the largest global suppliers of vehicle electronics, transportation components, integrated systems and modules, and other electronic technology. The Company supplies products to nearly every major global automotive original equipment manufacturer ("OEM").
- 9. Delphi was incorporated in Delaware in 1998 as a wholly owned subsidiary of General Motors Corporation ("GM"). Prior to January 1, 1999, GM conducted the Company's business through various divisions and subsidiaries. Effective January 1, 1999, the assets and liabilities of these divisions and subsidiaries were transferred to the Company in accordance with the terms of a Master Separation Agreement between Delphi and GM. In connection with these transactions, Delphi accelerated its evolution from a North American-based, captive automotive supplier to a global supplier of components, integrated systems, and modules for a wide range of customers and applications. Although GM is still the Company's

The aggregated financial data used herein generally consists of consolidated information from Delphi and its worldwide subsidiaries and affiliates as disclosed in the Company's Form 10-K filed on February 19, 2008.

On March 20, 2007, Delphi Automotive Systems Espana S.L. ("DASE"), whose sole operation is a non-core automotive component plant in Cadiz, Spain, filed a "Concurso" application for a Spanish insolvency proceeding, which was approved by the Spanish court on April 13, 2007. On July 4, 2007, DASE, its Concurso receivers, and the Cadiz workers councils and unions reached a settlement on a social plan, the funding of which was approved by this Court on July 19, 2007. The Spanish court approved the social plan on July 31, 2007. The Concurso proceeding is consistent with Delphi's transformation plan to optimize its manufacturing footprint and to lower its overall cost structure.

single largest customer, today more than half of Delphi's revenue is generated from non-GM sources.

### C. Events Leading To The Chapter 11 Filing

- 10. In the first two years following Delphi's separation from GM, the Company generated approximately \$2 billion in net income. Every year thereafter, however, with the exception of 2002, the Company has suffered losses. In calendar year 2004, the Company reported a net loss of approximately \$4.8 billion on \$28.6 billion in net sales.<sup>3</sup> Reflective of a continued downturn in the marketplace, in 2005 Delphi incurred net losses of approximately \$2.4 billion on net sales of \$26.9 billion. Moreover, in 2006 the Debtors incurred a net loss of \$5.5 billion, \$3.0 billion of which comprised charges related to the U.S. employee special attrition programs, and in 2007, the Debtors incurred a net loss of \$3.1 billion.
- deteriorated because of (i) increasingly unsustainable U.S. legacy liabilities and operational restrictions preventing the Debtors from exiting non-profitable, non-core operations, all of which have the effect of creating largely fixed labor costs, (ii) a competitive U.S. vehicle production environment for domestic OEMs resulting in the reduced number of motor vehicles that GM produces annually in the United States and related pricing pressures, and (iii) increasing commodity prices.
- 12. In light of these factors, the Company determined that it would be imprudent and irresponsible to defer addressing and resolving its U.S. legacy liabilities, product portfolio, operational issues, and forward-looking revenue requirements. Because discussions

Reported net losses in calendar year 2004 reflect a \$4.1 billion tax charge, primarily related to the recording of a valuation allowance on U.S. deferred tax assets as of December 31, 2004. The Company's net operating loss in calendar year 2004 was \$482 million.

with its major stakeholders had not progressed sufficiently by the end of the third quarter of 2005, the Company commenced these chapter 11 cases for its U.S. businesses to complete its transformation plan and preserve value for its stakeholders.

#### D. The Debtors' Transformation Plan

transformation plan that it believed would enable it to return to stable, profitable business operations. The Debtors stated that they needed to focus on five key areas: first, modifying the Company's labor agreements to create a competitive arena in which to conduct business; second, concluding their negotiations with GM to finalize GM's financial support for the Debtors' legacy and labor costs and to ascertain GM's business commitment to the Company; third, streamlining their product portfolio to capitalize on their world-class technology and market strengths and make the necessary manufacturing alignment with their new focus; fourth, transforming their salaried workforce to ensure that the Company's organizational and cost structure is competitive and aligned with its product portfolio and manufacturing footprint; and fifth, devising a workable solution to their current pension situation.

#### E. Plan Confirmation And Postconfirmation Matters

14. The confirmed Plan is based upon a series of global settlements and compromises that involve nearly every major constituency in the Debtors' reorganization cases. The Global Settlement Agreement and the Master Restructuring Agreement provide for a comprehensive settlement with GM, and both agreements were approved by this Court in the Confirmation Order. After the Plan was confirmed, the Debtors focused their efforts on satisfying the conditions for the Plan to become effective. The Debtors satisfied those conditions and on April 4, 2008 began a formal closing process attended by representatives of GM, the exit lenders, and the Statutory Committees. The Plan Investors, however, refused to participate in the

closing or fund their obligations under the Investment Agreement. Instead, the Plan Investors delivered written notices purporting to terminate the Investment Agreement based on both alleged breaches by the Debtors and the failure of the Plan's effective date to occur by April 4, 2008. The Debtors are prepared to pursue actions against the Plan Investors that are in the best interests of the Debtors and their stakeholders and are working with their stakeholders to evaluate their options to move forward with emerging from chapter 11 as soon as reasonably practicable.

15. Upon the conclusion of the reorganization process, the Debtors expect to emerge as a stronger, more financially sound business with viable U.S. operations that are well-positioned to advance global enterprise objectives. In the meantime, Delphi will marshal all of its resources to continue to deliver high-quality products to its customers globally. Additionally, the Company will preserve and continue the strategic growth of its non-U.S. operations and maintain its prominence as the world's premier auto supplier.

#### F. The Establishment Of Procedures to Preserve Estate Claims

16. Before the confirmation of the Debtors' Plan, this Court on August 16, 2007 entered that certain Order Under 11 U.S.C. §§ 102(1)(A), 105(a), 107, 108(a)(2), And 546(a) And Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7004, 9006(c), And 9018 (i) Authorizing Debtors To Enter Into Stipulations Tolling Statute Of Limitations With Respect To Certain Claims, (ii) Authorizing Procedures To Identify Causes Of Action That Should Be Preserved, And (iii) Establishing Procedures For Certain Adversary Proceedings Including Those Commenced By Debtors Under 11 U.S.C. § 541, 544, 545, 547, 548, Or 553 ("Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order") (Docket No. 9105). On March 28, 2008, this Court entered the Order Pursuant To Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7004(a) And 9006(b)(1) And Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m) To Extend Deadline To Serve Process For

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Avoidance Actions Filed In Connection With Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order (Docket No. 13277) (the "Deadline Extension Order").

- 17. The purpose of the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order was two-fold: on the one hand, it permitted the Debtors to preserve their right to pursue (or abandon) certain avoidance actions before the then-impending expiration of the two-year statute of limitations to file such actions; on the other hand, it established procedures to avoid having to force all potential defendants to retain counsel and defend against the adversary proceedings when, in fact, the Debtors anticipated that most of them would be resolved upon the Debtors' emergence from chapter 11 and thus never pursued. To that end, the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order and the Deadline Extension Order (i) allowed the Debtors to file adversary proceeding complaints under seal, (ii) directed the Clerk of Court to delay issuing summonses for complaints unless and until the Debtors notified the Clerk of Court of their intent to prosecute such actions, (iii) stayed each adversary action unless and until the Debtors make service of process on the respective defendants, and (iv) extended the deadline under Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m) by which the Debtors would have to serve process to May 31, 2008, so that the complaints would not be subject to dismissal under Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m). Such relief was intended to allow the Debtors to preserve potentially valuable assets without disrupting the Plan process or business relationships or prejudicing the rights of any defendants.
- 18. In accordance with the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order, the Debtors commenced 742 adversary proceedings (the "Adversary Proceedings") by filing complaints under seal. On January 25, 2008, the Court entered the Confirmation Order. Under

the Plan, the Debtors will not retain any of the causes of action asserted in the Adversary Proceedings except those listed on Exhibit 7.24 to the Plan.<sup>4</sup>

#### Relief Requested

Rule 9006(b)(1) and Federal Rule Of Civil Procedure 4(m), made applicable by Bankruptcy Rule 7004(a), to further extend the deadline by which the Debtors would be required to serve a summons and complaint upon each defendant under the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order, as modified by the Deadline Extension Order. Specifically, the Debtors request that the existing May 31, 2008 service deadline set forth in the Deadline Extension Order be extended to 30 days after substantial consummation of the Plan or any modified plan. The Debtors accordingly request that the Court enter the proposed Postcomfirmation Extension Of Avoidance Action Service Deadline Order, a copy of which is annexed hereto as Exhibit A.

#### Basis For Relief

20. As noted above, the Debtors are working with their stakeholders to develop a path for emerging from chapter 11 as soon as reasonably practicable. Under the Deadline Extension Order, however, the Debtors' current deadline to serve the summons and complaint on every defendant in the Adversary Proceedings is May 31, 2008. To meet the May 31, 2008 deadline for each of the defendants, the Debtors would first have to request that the Clerk of Court in the coming weeks issue summonses for each of the 742 Adversary Proceedings to allow enough time for the summonses to be issued and subsequently served with the complaints by the May 31, 2008 deadline.

Of the five categories of claims listed by the Debtors on Exhibit 7.24 to the Plan, only the claims relating to Laneko Engineering Co., Wachovia Bank, National Association, Laneko Engineering Co. Inc., and their affiliates and subsidiaries are subject to the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order. (See Exhibit 7.24 to the Plan (Docket No. 11608).) Notice of this Motion has been provided to those entities.

- 21. Contemplating that further extensions may be necessary to achieve the goals of the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order, that order and the Deadline Extension Order expressly provided that the Debtors' previous extension of the deadline for services of process was "without prejudice [to the Debtors' ability] to seek further extensions" if appropriate. (See Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order ¶ 8; Deadline Extension Order ¶ 2.)
- 22. The Debtors now believe that the extension of the Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m) deadline that is requested in this Motion is appropriate, and that there is good cause for such an extension. Such an extension would enable the Debtors to fulfill their fiduciary responsibility to preserve valuable estate assets in a manner that would not unnecessarily disrupt the emergence process or the Debtors' current business relationships with potential defendants that are necessary to the Debtors' ongoing operations. Moreover, the requested extension would reduce the administrative and economic burdens of the Adversary Proceedings on the Debtors, the Court, the Clerk of Court, and the potential defendants. Specifically, the Debtors believe that the resources that they, the Court, the Clerk of Court, and the defendants would need to expend on issuing and serving 742 summonses and complaints in the Adversary Proceedings at this time and the potential need thereafter to prosecute and defend such adversary proceedings—would not be in the best interests of the Debtors' estates, the Debtors' stakeholders, and other parties-ininterest because most of the Adversary Proceedings will not be prosecuted if the Plan were to become effective and likely will not be prosecuted under any modified plan. The Debtors submit that these reasons comprise good cause for the requested extension.

#### Applicable Authority

23. The Bankruptcy Rules and Federal Rules of Civil Procedure grant this Court discretion to adopt and implement guidelines which will aid in the administration of

Adversary Proceedings, including discretion to grant the proposed extension of the service of process deadline. See Zapata v. City of New York, 502 F.3d 192, 195 (2d Cir. 2007) (Rule 4(m) authorizes court to grant extensions of service period); In re Sheehan, 253 F.3d 507, 511 (9th Cir. 2001) ("The time for service in an adversary proceeding may be extended under two different rules: Rule 4(m) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and Bankruptcy Rule 9006(b).").

- 24. Bankruptcy Rule 9006(b)(1) provides for the enlargement of time to perform acts required under the Bankruptcy Rules: "[W]hen an act is required or allowed to be done at or within a specified period by these rules or by a notice given thereunder or by order of court, the court for cause shown may at any time in its discretion . . . order the period enlarged if the request therefor is made before the expiration of the period originally prescribed or as extended by a previous order . . . ." Fed. R. Bankr. P. 9006(b)(1).
- 25. Moreover, Fed. R. Civil P. 4(m), made applicable here by Bankruptcy Rule 7004(a), requires courts, upon a showing of good cause, to extend the period for service of process after the filing of a complaint. See Bank of Cape Verde v. Bronson, 167 F.R.D. 370, 371-72 (S.D.N.Y. 1996) (good cause existed when future events would likely have "obviated the need to serve the [] complaint" and when plaintiff requested extension before Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m) deadline expired). Even absent good cause, this Court has discretion to extend the 120-day service period. See Zapata, 502 F.3d at 196; Mejia v. Castle Hotel Inc., 164 F.R.D. 343, 345 (S.D.N.Y. 1996).
- 26. The Debtors accordingly request that the Court enter the proposed order, annexed hereto as Exhibit A, which would extend until 30 days after substantial consummation of the Plan or any modified plan the Debtors' Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m) deadline to serve each defendant in the Adversary Proceedings commenced in connection with the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order with a summons and a copy of the complaint, without prejudice

to the Debtors' right to seek further extensions of the deadline and without prejudice to the right of each of Laneko Engineering Co., Wachovia Bank, National Association, and Laneko Engineering Co. Inc. to seek a shortening of the deadline.

#### Notice Of Motion

Debenture Trust Co. v. Calpine Corp. (In re Calpine Corp.), 356 B.R. 585, 595 (S.D.N.Y. 2007); Kernisant v. City of New York, 225 F.R.D. 422, 431 n.13 (E.D.N.Y. 2005); Brady v. Marks, 7 F. Supp. 2d 247, 255 (W.D.N.Y. 1998), notice of this Motion has been provided in accordance with the Supplemental Order Under 11 U.S.C. §§ 102(1) And 105 And Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002(m), 9006, 9007, And 9014 Establishing Omnibus Hearing Dates And Certain Notice, Case Management, And Administrative Procedures, entered March 20, 2006 (Docket No. 2883), and the Tenth Supplemental Order Under 11 U.S.C. §§ 102(1) And 105 And Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002(m), 9006, 9007, And 9014 Establishing Omnibus Hearing Dates And Certain Notice, Case Management, And Administrative Procedures, entered February 4, 2008 (Docket No. 12487). Notice has also been provided to Laneko Engineering Co., Wachovia Bank, National Association, and Laneko Engineering Co. Inc., against whom causes of action have been retained under the confirmed Plan. In light of the nature of the relief requested, the Debtors submit that no other or further notice is necessary.

#### Memorandum Of Law

28. Because the legal points and authorities upon which this Motion relies are incorporated herein, the Debtors respectfully request that the requirement of the service and filing of a separate memorandum of law under Local Rule 9013-1(b) of the Local Bankruptcy Rules for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York be deemed satisfied.

#### WHEREFORE the Debtors respectfully request that the Court enter an order

(a) granting the relief requested herein and (b) granting the Debtors such other and further relief as is just.

Dated: New York, New York April 10, 2008

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ORDER PURSUANT TO FED. R. BANKR. P. 7004(a) AND 9006(b)(1) AND FED. R. CIV. P. 4(m) TO EXTEND DEADLINE TO SERVE PROCESS FOR AVOIDANCE ACTIONS FILED IN CONNECTION WITH PRESERVATION OF ESTATE CLAIMS PROCEDURES ORDER

("POSTCONFIRMATION EXTENSION OF AVOIDANCE ACTION SERVICE DEADLINE ORDER")

Upon the motion, dated April 10, 2008 (the "Motion"), of Delphi

Corporation ("Delphi") and certain of its subsidiaries and affiliates, debtors and debtors-inpossession in the above-captioned cases (collectively, the "Debtors"), for an order under

Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure 7004(a) and 9006(b)(1) and Federal Rule of Civil

Procedure 4(m) to extend the deadline to serve process for Adversary Proceedings<sup>1</sup>

commenced in connection with the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order<sup>2</sup>

(Docket No. 9105), which deadline was previously extended to May 31, 2008 pursuant to
the Order Pursuant To Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7004(a) And 9006(b)(1) And Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m)

To Extend Deadline To Serve Process For Avoidance Actions Filed In Connection With

Capitalized terms used and not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

The Adversary Proceedings are listed by adversary proceeding number on Exhibit A attached hereto.

Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order (Docket No. 13277) (the "First Deadline Extension Order"); and upon the record of the hearing held on the Motion; and this Court having determined that the relief requested in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, their creditors, and other parties-in-interest; and it appearing that proper and adequate notice of the Motion has been given, and it appearing that no other or further notice is necessary; and after due deliberation thereon; and good and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is hereby

#### ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED THAT:

- 1. The Motion is GRANTED.
- 2. Paragraph 8 of the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order, as previously modified by First Deadline Extension Order, is hereby further modified so that the time under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(m) by which the Debtors must serve a defendant in the Adversary Proceedings with a summons and complaint is further extended until 30 days after substantial consummation of the Plan or any modified plan, without prejudice to the Debtors' right to seek further extensions and without prejudice to the right of each of Laneko Engineering Co., Wachovia Bank, National Association, and Laneko Engineering Co. Inc. to seek a shortening of the deadline. The Debtors shall serve a copy of this order upon each defendant in any Adversary Proceeding either when the Debtors serve a summons and complaint on such defendant or as soon thereafter as practicable. All other provisions of the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order shall remain in effect.

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3. This order shall be deemed entered in each of the Adversary

Proceedings.

4. The Debtors shall file a copy of this order in each of the Adversary

Proceedings.

5. This Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters

arising from the implementation of this order.

6. The requirement under Rule 9013-1(b) of the Local Bankruptcy

Rules for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York for

the service and filing of a separate memorandum of law is deemed satisfied by the Motion.

Dated: New York, New York April \_\_\_\_\_, 2008

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

## **EXHIBIT A**

## **DELPHI ADVERSARY PROCEEDING NUMBERS**

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Hearing Date And Time: April 30, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. Objection Deadline: April 23, 2008 at 4:00 p.m.

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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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In re : Chapter 11

DELPHI CORPORATION, et al., : Case No. 05-44481 (RDD)

Debtors. : (Jointly Administered)

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NOTICE OF MOTION PURSUANT TO FED. R. BANKR. P. 7004(a) AND 9006(b)(1) AND FED. R. CIV. P. 4(m) TO EXTEND DEADLINE TO SERVE PROCESS FOR AVOIDANCE ACTIONS FILED IN CONNECTION WITH PRESERVATION OF ESTATE CLAIMS PROCEDURES ORDER

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on April 10, 2008, Delphi Corporation ("Delphi") and certain of its subsidiaries and affiliates, debtors and debtors-in-possession in the above-captioned cases (collectively, the "Debtors"), filed a Motion Pursuant To Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7004(a) And 9006(b)(1) And Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m) To Extend Deadline To Serve Process For Avoidance Actions Filed In Connection With Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order (the "Motion").

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a hearing to consider approval of the Motion will be held on April 30, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. (prevailing Eastern time) (the "Hearing") before the Honorable Robert D. Drain, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York, One Bowling Green, Room 610, New York, New York 10004 (the "Bankruptcy Court").

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that objections, if any, to the Motion must

(a) be in writing, (b) conform to the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, the Local

Bankruptcy Rules for the Southern District of New York, the Supplemental Order Under

11 U.S.C. §§ 102(1) And 105 And Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002(m), 9006, 9007, And 9014

Establishing Omnibus Hearing Dates And Certain Notice, Case Management, And

Administrative Procedures, entered March 20, 2006 (the "Supplemental Case Management

Order") (Docket No. 2883), and the Tenth Supplemental Order Under 11 U.S.C. §§ 102(1) And

105 And Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002(m), 9006, 9007, And 9014 Establishing Omnibus Hearing Dates

And Certain Notice, Case Management, And Administrative Procedures, entered February 4,

2008 (Docket No. 12487) (the "Tenth Supplemental Case Management Order"), (c) be filed with

the Bankruptcy Court in accordance with General Order M-242 (as amended) – registered users

of the Bankruptcy Court's case filing system must file electronically, and all other parties-in-

interest must file on a 3.5 inch disk (preferably in Portable Document Format (PDF), WordPerfect, or any other Windows-based word processing format), (d) be submitted in hardcopy form directly to the chambers of the Honorable Robert D. Drain, United States Bankruptcy Judge, and (e) be served upon (i) Delphi Corporation, 5725 Delphi Drive, Troy, Michigan 48098 (Att'n: General Counsel), (ii) counsel to the Debtors, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, 333 West Wacker Drive, Suite 2100, Chicago, Illinois 60606 (Att'n: John Wm. Butler, Jr.), (iii) counsel for the agent under the postpetition credit facility, Davis Polk & Wardwell, 450 Lexington Avenue, New York, New York 10017 (Att'n: Donald Bernstein and Brian Resnick), (iv) counsel for the official committee of unsecured creditors, Latham & Watkins LLP, 885 Third Avenue, New York, New York 10022 (Att'n: Robert J. Rosenberg and Mark A. Broude), (v) counsel for the official committee of equity security holders, Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP, One New York Plaza, New York, New York 10004 (Att'n: Bonnie Steingart), and (vi) the Office of the United States Trustee for the Southern District of New York, 33 Whitehall Street, Suite 2100, New York, New York 10004 (Att'n: Alicia M. Leonhard), in each case so as to be received no later than 4:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern time) on April 23, 2008 (the "Objection Deadline").

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that only those objections made as set forth herein and in accordance with the Supplemental Case Management Order and the Tenth Supplemental Case Management Order will be considered by the Bankruptcy Court at the Hearing. If no objections to the Motion are timely filed and served in accordance with the procedures set forth herein and in the Supplemental Case Management Order and the Tenth Supplemental Case Management Order, the Bankruptcy Court may enter an order granting the Motion without further notice.

Dated: New York, New York April 10, 2008

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## EXHIBIT H

**April 30, 2008 Hearing Transcript** 

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| -   | In Re:                 | 05-44481 (RDD)  |
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|     | DELPHI CORPORATION     | N, et al., One Bowling Green                                  |
| 4   |                        | New York, New York  |
|     | Debtors.               |   |
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| 7   | BEFORE THE HONOR       | ABLE ROBERT D. DRAIN  |
|     | UNITED STATE           | S BANKRUPTCY JUDGE  |
| 8   |                        |   |
| 9   | APPEARANCES:           |   |
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|     |                        | KAYALYN A. MARAFIOTI, ESQ.                                    |
| 11  |                        | THOMAS J. MATZ, ESQ.  |
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| 16  |                        | New York, New York 10022                                      |
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|     | ,                      | Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver                                 |
| 18  |                        | & Jacobson, LLP   |
|     |                        | One New York Plaza  |
| 19  |                        | New York, New York 10004                                      |
| 20  | For ADAH:              | THOMAS E. LAURIA, ESQ.  |
| 0.1 |                        | White & Case, LLP   |
| 21  |                        | 200 South Biscayne Boulevard                                  |
| 22  |                        | Miami, Florida 33131  |
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- 1 revised blacklined order and I'll grant the motion. It appears to
- 2 me the debtors have been acting in good faith. They obviously
- 3 still have remaining issues in respect of the plan and/or a
- 4 modification thereof and, consequently, this extension which,
- 5 again, is consensual on this basis is warranted. So I'll enter
- 6 that order.
- 7 MR. BUTLER: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 8 Your Honor, you also touched briefly on the 4(m) motion.
- 9 That's actually the next one, Item 5. This is the post-
- 10 confirmation extension of avoidance action service deadlines motion
- 11 at docket No. 13361 and, Your Honor, this deals with the debtor's
- 12 seeking an entry of an order extending the deadline to serve
- 13 process pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 7004(a) and Federal Rules of
- 14 Civil Procedure 4(m) that's made applicable by Bankruptcy Rule
- 15 7004(a) for avoidance actions filed in connection with the
- 16 preservation of estate claims procedures order earlier entered by
- 17 this Court at docket No. 12471.
- 18 We did give some specific notice in connection with
- 19 this, Your Honor. We gave notice of the motion to Lenico
- 20 Engineering Company, Wachovia Bank National Association and the
- 21 master service list and the 2002 list. The reason that we gave
- 22 specific notice to Lenico and Wachovia was because those were the
- 23 only two parties that had been identified under Exhibit 7.24 of the
- 24 plan as having the avoidance actions preserved under the plan and,
- 25 therefore, we gave particularized notice to them of the relief

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sought by the debtors. We have not given notice to the 742 other 1 2 defendants therein which are under seal and it was not served on those defendants except to the extent those defendants already had 3 placed themselves on either the master service list or the 2002 4 list. 5 There were no objections to the motion. At the moment, Б 7 Your Honor, prior to Your Honor's order, we believe that it's appropriate to get a further extension. Right now, the extension 8 is through May 31, 2008, that's Your Honor's -- a prior order 9 entered on March 28th at docket No. 13277 and, again, the process 10 that we're looking for here is essentially the same formulation we 11 12 did in the 365(d)(4) motion and I presume with a similar 13 modification from Your Honor, the idea here is to not have to deal with these complaints so long as we have the plan process that 14 15 we're moving forward with. 16 THE COURT: Okay. Well, first, I continue to believe 17 that there is good cause for the relief sought here. Except for the notice you did give I don't think any further notice is 18 19 necessary under the plain terms of 9006 and the cause is obviously 20 that the analysis so far that's represented in the motion is the 21 same as it was when the motion was originally granted which is that these causes of action are being preserved in light of the 22

limitations period, however, it's not presently contemplated that

they will be pursued, although obviously the preservation of them

means that they may be pursued but given that there's no reason for

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- 1 either the debtors or the potential defendants to start to have to
- 2 incur any costs in connection with the litigation so cause is shown
- 3 under Rule 4(m) and 9006.
- 4 The issue that I addressed earlier on the lease
- 5 extension motion is slightly different here, I think, because it's
- 6 conceivable, I guess, that a plan that I would permit someone else
- 7 to submit might have a different position on avoidance actions and
- 8 at which point they should be pursued. So the way I phrased it
- 9 here and you're all free to chime in on this if it doesn't sound
- 10 right to you is that the deadline or the extension would be until
- 11 thirty days after the later of substantial consummation of the plan
- 12 or any modified Chapter 11 plan and December 31, 2008. That seems
- 13 to me -- that was the date you had in for another matter, it will
- 14 come up later and it seems far enough off so that that would be
- 15 sufficient.
- 16 MR. BUTLER: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 17 THE COURT: Okay. So I'll grant it on that basis.
- 18 MR. BUTLER: Your Honor, the next item on the agenda,
- 19 Item No. 6, is the debtor's second DIP extension motion filed at
- 20 docket No. 13409.
- 21 Your Honor, in this motion the debtors have sought
- 22 authority to supplement the January 5, 2007 DIP order entered at
- 23 docket No. 6461, the November 16, 2007 DIP extension order at
- 24 docket No. 10854 and to authorize the debtors to extend the
- 25 maturity date of the DIP facility to enter into related documents

## EXHIBIT I

Postconfirmation Extension of Avoidance Action Service Deadline Order

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| In re                               | •   | Chapter 11                             |
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| DELPHI CORPORATION, <u>et al.</u> , | :   | Case No. 05-44481 (RDD)                |
|                                     | •   |  |
| Debtors.                            | :   | (Jointly Administered)                 |
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ORDER PURSUANT TO FED. R. BANKR. P. 7004(a) AND 9006(b)(1) AND FED. R. CIV. P. 4(m) TO EXTEND DEADLINE TO SERVE PROCESS FOR AVOIDANCE ACTIONS FILED IN CONNECTION WITH PRESERVATION OF ESTATE CLAIMS PROCEDURES ORDER

("POSTCONFIRMATION EXTENSION OF AVOIDANCE ACTION SERVICE DEADLINE ORDER")

Upon the motion, dated April 10, 2008 (the "Motion"), of Delphi

Corporation ("Delphi") and certain of its subsidiaries and affiliates, debtors and debtors-inpossession in the above-captioned cases (collectively, the "Debtors"), for an order under

Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure 7004(a) and 9006(b)(1) and Federal Rule of Civil

Procedure 4(m) to extend the deadline to serve process for Adversary Proceedings<sup>1</sup>

commenced in connection with the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order<sup>2</sup>

(Docket No. 9105), which deadline was previously extended to May 31, 2008 pursuant to
the Order Pursuant To Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7004(a) And 9006(b)(1) And Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m)

To Extend Deadline To Serve Process For Avoidance Actions Filed In Connection With



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Capitalized terms used and not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

The Adversary Proceedings are listed by adversary proceeding number on Exhibit A attached hereto.

Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order (Docket No. 13277) (the "First Deadline Extension Order"); and upon the record of the hearing held on the Motion; and this Court having determined that the relief requested in the Motion as granted herein is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, their creditors, and other parties-in-interest; and it appearing that proper and adequate notice of the Motion has been given, and it appearing that no other or further notice is necessary; and after due deliberation thereon; and good and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is hereby

#### ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED THAT:

- 1. The Motion is GRANTED as provided herein.
- 2. Paragraph 8 of the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order, as previously modified by First Deadline Extension Order, is hereby further modified so that the time under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(m) by which the Debtors must serve a defendant in the Adversary Proceedings with a summons and complaint is further extended until 30 days after the later of substantial consummation of the Plan or any modified chapter 11 plan for the Debtors and December 31, 2008; without prejudice, however, to the Debtors' right to seek further extensions and without prejudice to the right of each of Laneko Engineering Co., Wachovia Bank, National Association, and Laneko Engineering Co. Inc. to seek a shortening of the deadline. The Debtors shall serve a copy of this order upon each defendant in any Adversary Proceeding either when the Debtors serve a summons and complaint on such defendant or as soon thereafter as practicable. All other provisions of the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order shall remain in effect.

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3. This order shall be deemed entered in each of the Adversary

Proceedings.

4. The Debtors shall file a copy of this order in each of the Adversary

Proceedings.

5. This Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters

arising from the implementation of this order.

6. The requirement under Rule 9013-1(b) of the Local Bankruptcy

Rules for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York for

the service and filing of a separate memorandum of law is deemed satisfied by the Motion.

Dated: New York, New York April 30, 2008

> /s/ Robert D. Drain UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

# EXHIBIT A

## **DELPHI ADVERSARY PROCEEDING NUMBERS**

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## **EXHIBIT J**

October 22, 2009 Hearing Transcript

1 UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK Case No. 05-44481 In the Matter of: DELPHI CORPORATION, ET AL., Debtors. U.S. Bankruptcy Court One Bowling Green New York, New York October 22, 2009 10:02 AM B E F O R E: HON. ROBERT D. DRAIN U.S. BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

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Supplemental Motion to Extend Deadline to Serve Process for Avoidance Action Filed in Connection with Preservation of Estate Claims Procedures Order Proposed Forty-Eighth Omnibus Hearing Agenda Transcribed by: Dena Page 

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THE COURT: Please be seated. Okay. In re: Delphi Corporation.

MS. MARAFIOTI: Good morning, Your Honor. Kayalyn

Marafioti on behalf of DPH Holdings, Corp., which is the

reorganized company and successor to Delphi Corporation and all

but two of its affiliated debtors.

There are only a couple of items on the calendar today, and the second of them is now moot. The motion of Robert Backy (ph.) to enforce payment of his claim was withdrawn yesterday. I think the appropriate pleadings were filed. And so that matter is, effectively, settled.

And that leaves us with the debtors' motion under Bankruptcy Rule -- well, Federal Rule 4(m) and its companion bankruptcy rule to further extend the time to file service of process in connection with a number of adversary proceedings that were filed under seal a couple of years ago.

Your Honor, since we last made a motion seeking an extension of time, quite a considerable amount of progress has been made. In March, when we initially sought time that would relate to thirty days past the consummation date, there were some 752 complaints that might be brought. And you may recall that under the modified plan, the debtors were required to submit an exhibit naming, by adversary proceeding number, the complaints that could be brought post-consummation. And that

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number is now down to 177. So the pool of potential claims has been reduced to less than one quarter of its original size.

But the reason we're here seeking a further extension is that in the intense period that led up to the closing, it simply wasn't possible for the debtors to winnow that number down any further. And at the moment, under the master disposition agreement, these claims inure solely to the benefit of DPH Holdings, Corp. They did not move to the buyers. So they're staying with the reorganized company.

And there is only one employee at DPH Holdings Corp.

He has a lot of things to do right now in trying to effectuate all the transactions that were contemplated by the plan, and certainly this issue is now very much at the center of his attention, but he does need a bit more time.

Also, we understand that a different law firm will be taking over those claims, if and to the extent that they are brought, and so they need a bit of time to get up to speed as well.

We think that those reasons form the basis for the Court's extension of time, here. There has been no objection filed. We did serve the motion in the usual fashion, and no objections were lodged. So we would simply ask that the order be entered as submitted.

THE COURT: Okay, and thirty days hasn't run since the consummation of the plan, right?

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               MS. MARAFIOTI: That's correct. I think that would be
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               THE COURT: Okay.
               MS. MARAFIOTI: -- would be the thirtieth day.
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               THE COURT: All right, so you're within the deadline.
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               MS. MARAFIOTI: Right.
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               THE COURT: I'll enter the order --
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               MS. MARAFIOTI: Okay, very good. Thank you, Your
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      Honor.
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               THE COURT: -- for the reasons stated in the motion.
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      As with the last ones, this is without prejudice to the rights
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      of these potential defendants to argue other defenses, other
      than the running of the limitations period. And I think that
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      goes without saying. So this is just an extension of the time
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      to actually serve.
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               MS. MARAFIOTI: That's right, Your Honor.
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               THE COURT: So do you have a disc for me?
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               MS. MARAFIOTI: I believe we do. If I may approach
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      the bench, Your Honor.
               THE COURT: Sure. Obviously, the debtors' decision to
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      proceed this way is borne out by the fact that the vast
      majority of these cases have already been, effectively, booted
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      out. And as the motion states, the potential plaintiff, here,
      certainly should have a little more time to analyze whether it
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      makes sense to bring the remaining lawsuits or only some of
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them before DPH and the defendants incur additional costs.
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                Okay, thank you.
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                MS. MARAFIOTI: Thank you, Your Honor.
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                THE COURT: Okay.
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## EXHIBIT K

**Supplemental Postconfirmation Extension Order** 

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| SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YO | RK   |                         |
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| In re                       | :    | Chapter 11              |
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| DELPHI CORPORATION, et al., | :    | Case No. 05-44481 (RDD) |
|                             | :    |                         |
| Debtors.                    | :    | (Jointly Administered)  |
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ORDER PURSUANT TO FED. R. BANKR. P. 7004(a) AND 9006(b)(1) AND FED. R. CIV. P. 4(m) TO EXTEND DEADLINE TO SERVE PROCESS FOR AVOIDANCE ACTIONS FILED IN CONNECTION WITH PRESERVATION OF ESTATE CLAIMS PROCEDURES ORDER

("POSTCONFIRMATION EXTENSION OF AVOIDANCE ACTION SERVICE DEADLINE ORDER")

Upon the supplemental motion, dated October 2, 2009 (the "Motion"), of Delphi Corporation ("Delphi") and certain of its subsidiaries and affiliates, debtors and debtors-in-possession in the above-captioned cases (collectively, the "Debtors"), for an order under Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure 7004(a) and 9006(b)(1) and Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(m) to extend the deadline to serve process for Adversary Proceedings<sup>1</sup> commenced in connection with the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order<sup>2</sup> (Docket No. 9105), which deadline was previously extended to May 31, 2008 pursuant to the Order Pursuant To Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7004(a) And 9006(b)(1) And Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m) To Extend Deadline To Serve Process For Avoidance Actions Filed In

The Adversary Proceedings are listed by adversary proceeding number on Exhibit A attached hereto.



Capitalized terms used and not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

Connection With Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order (Docket No. 13277) (the "First Deadline Extension Order") and further extended to 30 days after substantial consummation of the Confirmed Plan or any modified plan pursuant to the Motion Pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7004(a) And 9006(b)(1) And Fed R. Civ. P. 4(m) To Extend Deadline To Serve Process For Avoidance Actions Filed In Connection With Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order (Docket No. 13361) (the "Postconfirmation Extension Motion"); and upon the record of the hearing held on the Motion; and this Court having determined that the relief requested in the Motion as granted herein is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, their creditors, and other parties-in-interest; and it appearing that proper and adequate notice of the Motion has been given, and it appearing that no other or further notice is necessary; and after due deliberation thereon; and good and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is hereby

## ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED THAT:

- 1. The Motion is GRANTED as provided herein.
- 2. Paragraph 8 of the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order, as previously modified by the First Deadline Extension Order and the Postconfirmation Extension Motion, is hereby further modified so that the time under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(m) by which the Debtors must serve a defendant in the Adversary Proceedings with a summons and complaint is further extended until 180 days after substantial consummation of the Modified Plan, without prejudice, however, to the Debtors' right to seek further extensions and without prejudice to the right of each of Laneko Engineering Co., Wachovia Bank, National Association, and Laneko Engineering Co. Inc. to seek a

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shortening of the deadline. The Debtors shall serve a copy of this order upon each

defendant in any Adversary Proceeding either when the Debtors serve a summons and

complaint on such defendant or as soon thereafter as practicable. All other provisions of

the Preservation Of Estate Claims Procedures Order shall remain in effect.

3. This order shall be deemed entered in each of the Adversary

Proceedings.

The Debtors shall file a copy of this order in each of the Adversary 4.

Proceedings.

5. This Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters

arising from the implementation of this order.

Dated: New York, New York

October 22, 2009

/s/Robert D. Drain\_

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

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## **EXHIBIT A**

| Adversary  | Adversary  | Adversary  |
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